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Cambridge boost for state pupils

By John O'LEARY EDUCATION EDITOR

CAMBRIDGE University is to increase by a third the number of students it recruits from state schools in an attempt to ward off a government threat to college fees, which dons see as vital to its position as a world leader.

Plans to take two out of three undergraduates from the state system were endorsed by admissions tutors on Friday. At present, half come from state schools.

The target reflects the proportion of state-educated pupils achieving three A grades at A level, but it will of which already claim that the system is weighted against their

Ministers have asked the Higher Education Funding Council for England to review the justification for Oxford and Cambridge receiving an extra £35 million a year to maintain individual tuition and separate college facilities. Although the review is concentrating on value for money, the universities believe that the price for retaining the system may be greater access for state pupils. Gordon Brown was applauded at the Labour Party

places still go to private schools, it is time to extend opportunity by redistributing resources."

There are wide variations among the colleges at both of the ancient universities. In Cambridge, Churchill and King's colleges take at least three-quarters of their students from the State sector, while in some others the proportion is little more than a third.

The two universities have launched a series of initiatives to attract more applications from the state system. But the proportion of offers to state applicants dropped below 44 per cent last year at

to raise it above 50 per cent. Dr Susan Stobbs, the Pembroke College scientist who chairs the

Cambridge Admissions Forum, said: "We think that a split of 65 per cent state pupils and 35 per cent from independent schools would be a fair proportion of the brightest and the best. Although we have no intention of introducing quotas, we will have in our thoughts what would be sensible. We will not be discriminating against anybody."

Almost all of those offered places at Cambridge are predicted to achieve three A grades at A level. Of 25,700 students achieving that

feat last year, 17,400 were from state schools or colleges and 8,300 from the independent sector.

Dr Stobbs said the imbalance was compounded by sixth-form scholarships, which attract many of the most talented comprehensive school pupils into the independent sector. "Some of those who remain in state schools are not encouraged to apply, even though they could do

An official analysis of Cambridge degree results, carried out for the first time this year, has shown little difference between the performances of state and indepen-dent school pupils. Dr Stobbs said: procedures are fair." Oxford will address the issue

when the North Commission. which is reviewing all aspects of university life, reports next month. A spokesman said yesterday: "We are doing our best to see that as many people as possible apply from state schools. We do not go in for positive discrimination, but we do look for potential in applicants

from all types of school." John Moore, Headmaster of the King's School, Worcester, and academic secretary of the Headmas-ters' and Headmistresses' Confer-

set, but would not object to Cambridge's move. "If they want to set a target, that is perfectly proper, as long as all applications are treated

on merit." College fees, which provide Oxford and Cambridge with £2,000 a year more per student than other universities receive, have been the subject of fierce discussion since Sir Ron Dearing raised the issue in his report on higher education. Education ministers are said to have argued for abolition, but to have met resistance in Downing Street.

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Brown tries to calm market EMU fears

By NICHOLAS WATT AND ALASDAIR MURRAY.

ced last night to try to calm monetary union — whether or stock markets braced for a not Britain was a part of it. dramatic fall today after his indication that Britain would not join a European single currency for at least five years.

The Chancellor gave a series of interviews promising a "full and substantial" statement to Parliament soon after it returns on Monday. And today he will tell the Stock Exchange: We are determined to avoid continuing and debilitating speculation."

Mr Brown spoke after Peter Lilley, the Shadow Chancellor, led criticism of the way he had outlined his thinking on the single currency in an interview with The Times rather than to Parliament. Mr Lilley accused the Government of damaging the economy with "whispered words and bungled briefings" and said that Parliament should be recalled within 48 hours.

That was rejected by the Government, but Mr Brown said that he would set out his position in detail soon after the Commons reconvenes.

Government sources said hat his statement would inlude his formal announcenent of whether Britain would join a single currency in 1990; report on the result of a Treasury review into five economic tests for Britain's future entry; set out the Government's position on the future of economic co-ordination in Europe; say what the Government intended to do to avoid risks of shock should it join the single currency; and explain how a government task force would help business and the

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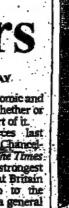
in which he gave his stronge indication to date that Britain would not sign up

highly unlikely. Our economic cycle has been out of line with our European partners. There has not been sufficient flexibility to cope with economic shocks. Business has not had time to prepare. If we do not join in 1999, Britain will need a

series of recent briefings about the Government's view on the euro. He told BBC.I's On the Record: "If any private indi-vidual had misled markets in the way that this Government has done, that would be a very serious offence. We should have an inquiry into who has

This is a Government

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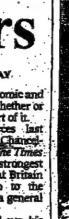


continuing speculation."

which does not have policies, it has media manipulation at its heart and its core. And those who live by the leak are going to die by the leak. All this is caused by their obsession with media manipulation and their contempt for parliamentary

Paddy Ashdown said that the Government had confused the situation over EMU. He Continued on page 2, col 5

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currency this side of a general And today he will use his speech at the opening of the stock market's new electronic trading system: "I have alreay said that entry in 1999 is

period of stability without Mr Lilley, however, called for an official enquiry into a

said what that caused this

from within government.
The correct thing to do is for Gordon Brown to come before the House of Commons and spell out his policies and make it absolutely clear and subject himself to parliamentary scrutiny. He should do so sooner rather than later. Ideally he should recall parliament early so that next week he can do it and clear up confusion.

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Asylum-seeking gypsies from Eastern Europe at Dover yesterday. Over the weekend 180 people seeking political refuge arrived forcing the council to implement emergency plans

Chinese swim into trouble

A series of record-breaking performances by swimmers in the National Games of China in Shanghai has again pointed the finger of suspicion at sport in China. Susan O'Neill, Australia's

Olympic champion over 200 metres butterfly, said: "They are obviously cheating — they are machines. Don Talbot, head coach to the Australian team, said: "You have to be naive to think they're clean. This is a planned policy Page 26

Tax on savings to be reformed

Gordon Brown is planning to sweep away differing tax rates and exemptions and

equalise taxes on savings A team of Treasury officials is working on proposals, possibly for the Chancelior's next Budget in the spring, to entitle everyone to a fixed amount of tax-free income from all forms of savines possibly as much as £2,000 a year. Alternatively, the tax-free limit could be fixed in terms of the capital sum _ Page 2

Dover overwhelmed by gypsy asylum seekers

By Lin Jenkins

URGENT talks are to be held today with Slovakian Embassy officials in an attempt to stem the flow of Eastern European gypsies arriving at Dover seeking political

The arrival of more than 190 men, women and children over the weekend — few of whom are likely to be granted asylum - forced Kent County Council to implement an emergency plan as every available bed and breakfast place was taken. The weekend influx adds to the 600 who

have arrived since August. A day centre has been used to accommodate some, while an empty old peoples' home in Thanet is on standby to take more if two coachloads, reported by the Immigration Service to be at Calais, arrive. Up to 3,000 people are said to be making their way across Europe.

Kent County Council has said it is unable to cope with the numbers and demanded an immediate meeting with ministers. It was already facing a £1 million bill before the weekend arrivals.

Mike O'Brien, the Home Office Minister in charge of immigration, rejected criticism. "I am satisfied we are approaching it in the proper way. We are getting some irresponsible and inflammatory comment, he said.

At least 36 of those who arrived over the weekend have returned to France. About 30 of the men, all classified as principal asylum seekers, are wives and faimilies have been found accommodation after some spent a night on the floor of a social services day centre. The influx has been attributed to a documentary made by

a Prague-based television company which interviewed asylum seekers in Dover a few weeks ago. It is believed to have suggested that Britian was an attractive prospect for refugees. None of the 140 Slovac and Czech Republic gypsies whose applications have been processed has been granted asylum. There is

widespread belief that they are deliberately abusing the sys-

Some of the group are telling us that Eastern European TV was saying that the asylum and benefits system in Britain can be abused." said Mr O'Brien. Since August 116 men have

Last year there were 10 applications in the same period Keith Ferrin, Deputy Leader of Kent County Council, said local services were at crisis point. "The bill for this year before the new arrivals at the weekend was estimated at El million. We are on a knife-

deteriorate," Primary schools in the town are full. "We face the prospect of telling somebody who moves to the town that their children will have to be bussed elsewhere hecause schools are

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Diana's dresses wanted for Millennium Dome

BY VALERIE ELLIOTT WHITEHALL EDITOR

A DAZZLING collection of evening dresses worn by Diana, Princess of Wales, is being considered by ministers for display at the Millennium

The display would raise money for charities and causes associated with the Princess. It is expected that visitors to the dome would be asked to make a charity donation on top of the admis-

folio, who is in charge of the project and Jenny Page, the Millennium Commission thief executive, is to inspect an exhibition of the Princess's dresses in America. They wish to ensure, however, that any exhibition would meet the approval of the Princess's family. Ministers hope that by the time

Mandelson, the Minister without Port-

exhibition opens, the Princess's executors might allow more of her clothes to be included.

The idea was prompted by an The idea has interested Peter exhibition opening next month at the

some of the Princess's dresses bought at the Christie's auction in New York. Maureen Rorech, a 37-year-old businesswoman, bought 13 of the dresses and had decided to exhibit them to raise money for charities connected with children, Aids, cancer and hospices even before the Princess's death. Interest in the exhibition has surged since then, and many other people who bought some of the 79 dresses at auction wish to present their items. Cynthia Duval, curator and consultant

for the exhibition, has been inundated

Museum of Art in Tampa, Florida, of

with offers of dresses and requests from museums in the US, Japan, Hong Kong, Brazil and Europe to stage the exhibition in support of the Princess's charities. Her aim is that the collection, or at least part of it, should ultimately return to England. Mrs Rorech said last night that she

intended to present the dresses she owns to Prince William and Prince Harry after the world tour. "They can then decide what is most appropriate for them but I hope they would never be sold," she said. "The dresses

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NEWS IN BRIEF

Legal aid

axe to fall

without

legislation

The Government will move swiftly to scrap civil legal aid for all claims involving money and damages from as early as next April without primary legislation.

But such a move, in the

wake of the Lord Chancellor's publication of a far-reaching

shake-up of legal services on Saturday, could be chal-

lenged by the legal profession in the courts. Both the Law

Society and the Bar believe

Government officials how-

ever are believed to take the

view that removing civil legal

aid from work such as person-

al injuries, debt and consum-

er claims could be done

through an order in Parlia-

ment. The idea is that legal

aid would be scrapped at the

same time as the Government

acis next April to open up "no

win, no fee" work for most

civil claims. Officials accept

that other aspects of the

reforms — introducing fixed-

price contracts for remaining legal aid work — will need

legislation. No Bill on those

measures is likely before Nov-

existation is needed

Chancellor plans 'savings ration' in tax shake-up

A REVOLUTION in the taxation of savings is being planned by Gordon Brown. Treasury officials are working on radical proposals to cut through the jungle of differing tax rates and exemptions and create a level playing field for taxes on savings.

Under the plan, everyone would be entitled to a fixed tax-free income from all savngs - possibly as much as £2,000 a year. Alternatively the tax-free limit could be fixed in terms of the capital sum invested. Under this formula no tax would be payable on the return from annual savings of. say, £10,000. Above these limits, tax would become payable

at the basic or top rate.
It is understood that Mr Brown has pencilled in the shake-up for his next Budget in. March. He regards the "ration of savings" plan as a potential big idea for his Chancellorship — on a par with the far-reaching tax reforms introduced by Nigel Lawson in the 1980s.

The proposal goes far beyond Mr Brown's announcement in his July Budget of plans for a new individual Nicholas Wood

on Gordon

Brown's latest attempt at

cutting the

welfare bill

savings account (ISA) to replace tax-free Peps and Tessas. An attack on savings and pensions tax incentives would be seen as a direct blow at the middle classes, who have already seen their pension re-turns sliced by Budget reforms depriving pension funds of the right to claim back the tax

paid on dividends. Treasury officials had been given until the end of the year to present detailed proposals to the Chancellor. However, the "ration of savings" plan is encountering stiff resistance from senior officials, who fear that it will prove admini-

Schemes boosted the thrifty ethic

A NUMBER of tax-free schemes currently exist to promote the saving ethic. But they have been introduced at different times and grown up without overall planning.

Each year you can put a total of £9,000 into personal equity plans (Peps) and get tax-free income and gains. Another £9,000 can be invested over five years in tax exempt special savings accounts (Tessas). Provided the capital remains untouched for that period, all the interest is

Pension savings is promoted through tax relief on contributions, given both at the basic (23 per cent) rate of tax

and of the higher rate (40 per cent). Employees contributing to company schemes are enti-tled to pay in 15 per cent of their salaries tax free. Those without company schemes or the self-employed, can contribute from 17.5 per cent of earnings to personal plans depending on age.

Tax-iree savings can also be made in National Savings plans, including Premium Bonds, friendly societies, venture capital and enterprise

In 1999 Peps and Tessas are to be phased out to be replaced by Individual Savings Accounts (Isas), to encourage the

Peps and Tessas - are tax free. Others, such as interest on bank and building society deposits, are taxable. Under the proposed new regime, all forms of saving would be treated alike for tax purposes. The future of tax relief on pension contributions — which could lead to abolition of 40 per cent relief for high earners—could be included in the savings rethink.

Mr . Brown believes that such a radical upheaval - if properly presented to the pubwould encourage far more people to save. At present, the average level of savings is less than £500 per household and most people have little put aside.

Boosting the nation's modest savings ratio is seen by the Chancellor as important to strengthening the economy in the long term and easing the path towards reform of the £100 billion-a-year welfare state. If more people, particularly the low paid, could be encouraged to save throughout their working lives, they would be less reliant on welfare if they hit hard times.

It is understood that similar proposals were secretly con-sidered by John Major and-Kenneth Clarke in 1995 in the early stages of preparation for the 1997 Conservative mani-lesto. They were dropped after the Inland Revenue warned, that implementation would require thousands of new tax inspectors. They would be needed to check more complicated self-assessment tax returns and to replace the banks, building societies and other financial institutions, who police the current system, deducting tax at source on

er to Mr Clarke during his Chancellorship, and now head of tax strategy at law firm Simmons and Simmons, said: "A ration of savings could mean that up to 22 million more people would have to fill in tax returns, either to reclaim tax or to pay additional tax. It is an artractive idea but not one whose time has yet come."

A common view of business finance.

Edward Troup, a tax-advis-



Maureen Rorech, who is behind an exhibition in the US of dresses which belonged to Diana, Princess of Wales

Continued from page 1 represent something so histor-ic." Last month Mrs Rorech bought a fourteenth dress for her collection. She paid more than \$200,000 (£125,000) for the black velvet dress designed by Bruce Oldfield which the Princess were in 1985 to a first-night performance of Les Misérables. Its original price at auction was

The exhibition collection is insured for nearty \$15 million.

Diana's dresses to raise charity funds

By next spring at least 30 dresses are expected to be included and by the millennium it is hoped that most of the Mrs Duval said last night "I would love to have all the dresses. They represent a

remarkable piece of history.

You can see a strong line of Princess through the clothes and how she gained in giam-our and confidence."

The dresses are already being treated as invaluable being conserved to the highest of museum standards. Mrs Rorech who runs a number of style and fashion companies and campaigns for charity, said: "My interest in

this collection is as a memorial to the Princess. I believe it will represent something very important over the next few years and that it will power fully rally millions of people around the world and they will support the Princess: charities and the causes she believed in."

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Dr McAleese is Pro-Vice

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Chancellor of Queen's Univer-

sity in Belfast and a director of

The Times last week that the

Queen invited her to a private

lunch in May, 1996, "to get an insight into nationalist think-

ing in Northern Ireland. We

Hague calls Bell back into fold

Sir Tim Bell, former special adviser to Margaret Thatcher and head of a public relations and head of a public relations company, will be a main speaker at the two-day "bond-ing session" for Tory MPs, starting in Eastbourne on Tuesday. He will describe how parties in other countries use political advertising. Senior MPs who have declined William Hague's invitation to attend include John Major and Michael Heseltine

Toll on drivers in cities urged

One of John Prescott's transport advisers will today demand that the Government introduces urgent legislation to charge motorists so as to ease city congestion. Ministers must let local authorities use the money to improve public transport, says a report by David Begg. He will tell the Government that plans to reduce pollution and congestion will fail unless it takes swift action on charges.

New powers for food watchdog

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The new Food Standards Agency will be given sweep-ing powers over the monitor-ing and labelling of foods, ministers have decided. The agency will also be responsi-ble for legislation covering the nutritional qualities of food, including claims made by manufacturers. The decision is a success for critics of the food industry, which says it fears a return to the "namy

Unheard-of quiet on Armistice Day

An unprecedented number of es and councils will pay tribute to the war dead with an Armistice Day silence at Ilam on November II. For the first time all the leading stores, and Radio 4, will mark the two-minute silence, and McDonald's has agreed to encourage all 800 of its restaurants to support the tribute. More than 120 companies and organisations will observe the

South basks in flaming October

Temperatures reached 23C (73F) in southern England yesterday in one of the hottes late October spells sing records began. West London saw the highest temperatures. with West Wales and wester Ireland a few degrees lower Scotland was much colder. The London Weather Centre said it was unlikely to las and frost could be expected i some areas this week.

McAleese in new Sinn Fein row

MARTIN FLETCHER, CHIEF IRELAND CORRESPONDENT.

THE frontrunner for Ireland's presidency, a Belfast law pro-fessor who lunched privately with the Queen at Buckingham Palace last year, yesterfaced a fresh claim of being a Sinn Fein sympathiser. The allegation against Mary McAleese, based on leaked documents from the trish Foreign Ministry, have introduced uncertainty into the previously sedate race just

12 days before the election. Bertie Ahern, the Irish Prime Minister, reiterated his strong support for Dr McAleese yesterday, and has. ordered a police investigation into the leak of a memorandum from an Irish diplomat. Dympna Hayes, on a conversation she had Rodgers, a senior member of Ulster's nationalist Social

Democratic and Labour Party, a month before Britain's general election.

It quotes Ms Rodgers com-plaining that the SDLP was receiving poor coverage in Belfast's Irish News because of an unofficial alliance between Dr McAleese, the newspaper's editor-in-chief, and Alex Reid, a priest instrumental in bringing Sinn Fein to the negotiat ing table. In her view the trio "promoting a new nationalist consensus which owes more to Sinn Fein than the SDLP. All three are in regular touch with the Sinn Fein leadership and are in reality pushing the Sinn Fein

Gerry Adams, Sinn Fein's McAleese's problems last Thursday by saying she was

Chancellor

Continued from page 1 told the BBC's The World This Weekend: "We are certainly

seeing the price of Govern-ment by spin and leak and

that's very unhelpful. What we

are seeing is rather uncertain government, pretty question-

able politics and extremely doubtful economics.".

The political row came as economists predicted that

leading shares could fall by as

much as 100 points today, but

they stopped short of forecast-

ing meltdown. There is also

growing anger among busi-

these gains. Gilt prices will

Speculation of an early en-

try into EMU boost the stock

market because it implies relatively high UK interest

rates converging with lower European interest rates. To-

day, only the pound looks set to climb higher as a delayed

entry into EMU would leave the Bank of England free to

raise interest rates to curb the

booming domestic economy.

Peter Warburton, UK econ-

omist at Robert Flemming,

said: "The markets will be

pretty confused today. Gordon

Brown has flagged up that he will soon make a formal

statement on EMU.

should get on and make it."

also be vulnerable.



McAleese: spoke of ceasefire initiative

his preferred candidate. Dr McAleese, whose childhood home in a predominantly Catholic area of north Belfast was once sprayed with bullets secret of her nationalist views, but insists her only link with

passed a very nice afternoon".
If elected, she said that she would love to invite the Queen to make her first visit to the Republic. An Irish Times poll-last week gave Dr McAleese 32 per cent support, eight points more than Mary Bannoti, the

candidates trailing far behind.

TV pullout fuels Clark reshuffle

speculation By Nicholas Watt and Valerie Elliott

DAVID CLARK, the embattled Chancellor of the Duchy of Lancaster, pulled out of a television interview yesterday, increasing speculation that his Cabinet career may be

series of leaks and counter-The BBC had been expectleaks on single currency policy are wreaking havds in the financial markets. ing Dr Clark to make a strong defence of his accusation that a Government official is run-The stock market soared a ning a "smear campaign" against him. But the current affairs programme On the. near-record 161 points three weeks ago. after a report suggesting that the Govern-Record was told abruptly on ment was preparing for an early entry into EMU. But the Saturday night that the minister could not attend because latest contrary reports are expected to wipe out most of

nearing its end.

he had a perforated eardrum.

Peter Killoyle, a junior Cabinet Office Minister took his place. In an uncertain performance Mr Kilfoyle denied that Dr Clark had been "got at" after implying that a Govern-ment minister was behind press leaks about him.

However, Dr Clark's nonappearance added to specula-tion that the minister is likely to be a victim in Tony Blair's first Cabinet reshuffle. A senior Government source underlined the Prime Minister's irritation with the minister when he told one newspaper that he had "totally lost it".

Senior members of the Government were exasperated when Dr Clark, the MP for South Shields, told his local newspaper that he was the

victim of a smear campaign by an unnamed Government colleague. He then told a local BBC radio station: "I don't think there's any doubt that there is somebody running a smear campaign against me The media has considerable

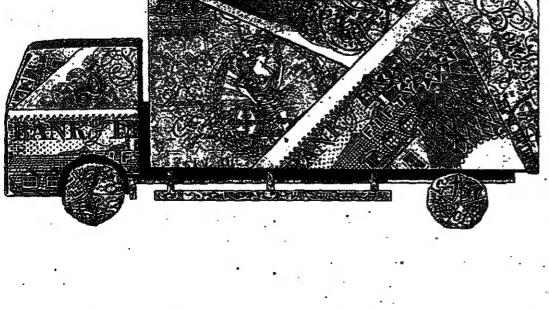
Dr Clark's outburst was prompted by a series of stories in the press claiming that he spent about £50,000 on three factfinding visits to the United States, Canada and Austral asia to compare international freedom of information laws. His astonishing remarks

detail, basically much of it

also highlighted Dr Clark's anger that he is being blamed for failing to produce the much vaunted Government White Paper for a Freedom of Information Bill. Dr Clark, who had promised to produce a White Paper by the end of August, was given a dressing down by Lord Irvine of Lairg. the Lord Chancellor, in a Cabinet committee on future

He was told to go back to the drawing board.

Dr Clark sallegations about a smear campaing are being viewed extremely seriously Robin Manfield, the Permanent Secretary at the Office of Public Service, is to look at the claims this week.

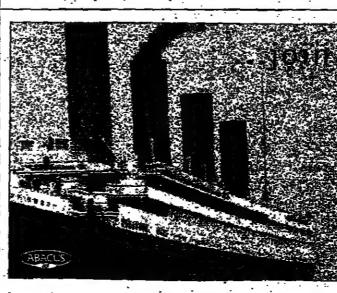


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* Malvern boy dies in car as he flees police

Pupil crashed into his school gatepost, reports Simon de Bruxelles

pupil at Malvern College was killed at the wheel of his car when he crashed into the school gates during a highspeed police chase.
Julian Elwell, 17, died after

hitting a stone pillar at the entrance to the public school on Saturday night as he tried to evade a patrol car. His Fiat Tipo burst into flames, and repeated attempts to rescue him from the burning vehicle failed. West Mercia police said last night that the Police Complaints Authority would oversee the investigation into Mr Elwell's death.

The chase began shortly after 9pm on Saturday, when PC Paul Lambourne stopped his patrol car to speak to the driver of a red Fiat parked on double yellow lines outside the Unicorn pub in the centre of Malvern, Hereford and Worcester, Instead, Mr Elwell made off at high speed and PC Lambourne followed as he went through a red traffic light, narrowly missed another car and then lost control and crashed into the emtrance of No.8 House in College Road. Police said the pursuing patrol car was 200 yards from the Fiat when it

Inspector David Pellet of Worcester police said: "The vehicle burst into flames and officers made repeated attempts to extinguish the fire and rescue the occupant. A local doctor who was one of the first on the scene pronounced Mr Elwell dead at

"At this stage of the inquiry we have absolutely no idea why the car drove off at high speed. The whole incident was over in a matter of two or three

The schoolboy's father, Jon an advertising executive and former RAF helicopter pilot. received news of his son's death on Saturday - his 42nd birthday. "It is a loss to the world, not just to us. He was going to be a doctor," he said. His mother Clare, 43, a teacher of dyslexic children, added: "The best are always taken away soonest and now i



The burnt-out wreckage of the car which crashed into



another son, aged 13, said her son was trustworthy behind the wheel of a car despite his inexperience. I find it so out of character that he ended up that way. I entrusted my other children to his care. I entrusted myself to his care. I had no concerns about his driving."

News of the tragedy was broken to the college's 570 pupils at chapel on Sunday morning. Headmaster Hugh Carson said: "We are gravely concerned at this terrible event Julian Elwell was a bright and popular boy and an Oxbridge candidate. We are investigating the accident and its causes and will make a further statement on completion of this investigation. Our Mrs Elwell, who also has a priority now rests with consol-

ing the family and also the rest of the college community." A post mortem examination due to be carried out this morning will establish whether Mr Elwell had been drink-ing before the accident. A scholar as well as a recipient of

a government assisted place, he had been a pupil at the public school since the age of 13. At the time of his death, he was studying for Art, Biology, Chemistry and Maths A levels and hoping for a place at Cambridge, University Coll-ege London or Imperial

After A levels the teenager, who was a pupil at Buckfast Abbey School before enrolling at Malvern in 1993, was hoping to teach in Tanzania for eight months before a spell

as a sailing instructor in France. Populs at the school are expected to carry photo identity cards giving their date of birth.

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The Unicorn's manager, Chris Lush, said: The College has very good relations with the pubs in Malvern. Pupils know we won't serve them without ID. We certainly don't need the custom as it's a lively little town, especially on Satur-

day night.
I doubt that even if he left his car it was for long as it is a busy road and he was on a double yellow line. There are some cashpoint machines across the road so he may have stopped to use one of

Older pupils at Malvern are illowed to own and drive cars only with the written permis sion of their parents, which Mr Elwell had been given the necessary authority at the start of the autumn term. They may only carry other pupils as passengers with the approval of both sets of parents.

Keys have to be left with the nousemaster and pupils need his permission each time they take a car out. On Saturday nights sixth-formers must be back in their boarding houses by 10.30. Twelve pupils within the sixth form are currently permitted to drive.

A spokesman for the school said the policy had been in place for seven years, adding: However, it is reassessed all the time. They must apply for permission each term."

Malvern College, which was founded in 1862, is coeducational and has 450 boarders and 120 day pupils. The fees are £4,450 a term and famous old boys include CS Denholm Elliott. Jeremy Paxman and former Tesco chairman Lord

ley of West Mercia police said that the decision to refer the matter to the Police Complaints Autority had been taken by the deputy chief constable. He said: We cannot say if Julian had been drinking at the pub or not. His will no doubt be part of the



Julian Elwell, 17: he hoped to become a doctor after university, his father said

Anger at reports of road rage victim's drug past

By DOMINIC KENNEDY

THE family of a man who died with his girlfriend in an apparent "road rage" attack reacted with outrage yesterday to reports that he had been convicted of attempting to

supply drugs.

The killings of Toby Exiey.

22. and his girlfriend Karen
Martin, 20, whose car was shunted across a dual carriageway by another motorist. took a new twist when it was disclosed that Mr Exley, who was driving, was still on two years' probation at the time of his death.

He had been fined £210 and put on a rehabilitation programme last year after being convicted of possessing amphetemines, Ecstasy and cannabls with intent to supply. He had been arrested by drugs squad officers outside a nightclub in Putney, south-west London, just after Christ-

mas 1995, it was reported. Yesterday's News of the World quoted an unnamed underground source as saying Mr Exley was a well known cocaine dealer. Mr Exley's mother Joan and his brothers Robin, 19, and Ben, 17, from Teddington, west London, have issued a statement defending the dead chef's reputation.

The statement read: "We the Exley family are disgusted by the allegations printed in today's papers. Toby was not a drugs dealer. Toby has no connection with any drug warlords or barons. Toby never came into contact with cocaine. Toby's arrest came on Boxing Day, 1995, the anniversary of his father's death. He hadn't come from a club. He was at home with his family. He did not sell any drugs to anyone else, he was caught in possession."

Mr Exiey had also been fined £800 in 1994 after being convicted of stealing from a car, but the family's statement made no mention of that.

only that it was looking at a number of lines of inquiry as 20 detectives continued narrowing down the search for the killer's vehicle. The search has been narrowed to 5,000

Rape victim was locked for hours in boot of car

By PAUL WHITTAKER

A.WOMAN made a desperate call for help from a mobile phone while locked in the boot of her Mercedes by an abduc-tor who later raped her during a terrifying seven-hour ordeal

The woman, who met her attacker in Loughborough, Leicestershire, at about later being attacked in nearby Shepshed, rang the pre-pro-grammed number of a colleague on a mobile phone hidden in her pocket. But her-frantic call proved to be in

After being alerted by the colleague, police quickly dispatched patrol cars and a search helicopter to the disori-entated woman's last known location, but by daylight they had failed to find any trace of

The woman, who was being interviewed yesterday by rape crisis officers, was discovered by a farmer who heard her cries for help and banging on her boot lid at about 9.30am in a remote field at Gelscoe

Farm, between the villages of Belton and Tonge, on the Leicestershire Derbyshire

Detective: Superintendent Bryan Warraker, who is leading the hunt for the rapist, terday described the attack as particularly cruel and vio-lent. "It was a terrifying ordeal. Without a shadow of a doubt, this is a man we must catch as we have fears he will

offend again.

The offender told her to take him to Shepshed, about seven miles out of Loughborough, and started directing her through dark back roads and small country lanes. She became nervous and when she tried to turn around he grabbed the steering wheel, overpowered her and bundled

her into the boot." . Mr Warraker said that the woman was able to make a call at 2am before her abductor heard her talking as he was beginning to drive off. He then snatched the phone from her. The woman, who suffered

severe bruising after being struck in the face, was raped twice by her assailant and had her money stolen.

She was first attacked infarmland before being forced back into the boot, driven further into a field and assaulted behind a hedge.

Mr Warraker said that the man, who had a local accent, was slim, white, in his late teens with short fair hair and a small hoop earning. He was wearing a white T-shirt and dark jeans, and would have had mud on his clothes after walking a long distance. "Anyone who saw a similar-

ly described person in the early hours of October 18 should come forward immedlately. It is quite likely that the offender would have mud on his shoes or on the bottom of his trousers and would be cold and damp when he returned home," Mr Warraker said. Anyone with information

should contact the incident room at Loughborough on

TAMLET

Keays will face court on publicity for daughter

BY EMMA WILKINS

SARA KEAYS, former mistress of Lord Parkinson, has been summoned to appear at the High Court today over a series of newspaper interviews. Ms Keays is the subject of an injunction which since 1993 has banned her from from making any public refer-ence to the upbringing of their daughter Flora, who is now 13. The Official Solicitor, Peter Harris will ask the court to

Harris, will ask the court to appoint a psychologist to examine Flora to see if she has been affected by the publicity. Ms Keays, who will be contest-ing the application, said: "I have been summoned to appear and I will be there. I am not going to allow anyone to examine Flora."

Ms Keays said she would ask the court to lift the "gagging" order: "My rights as Flora's mother have been infringed in a grotesque way. The injunction has given Flora

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RSC plays Chelsea at their own game

By CAROL MIDGLEY MEDIA CORRESPONDENT

DEATH and violence in the plays of William Shakespeare are being used to tempt Nineties man away from the football terraces and into the theatre.

The Royal Shakespeare Company is playing up the bloodier and more laddish elements of the Bard's work in the hope of persuading young men to swap the drama of the specer stadium for live action on stage.

Theatre managers are concerned that the majority of theatre tickets are bought by women and they aim to swell attendance figures by tapping into a new audience. Men under 30 are the least represented group, but often have the most spare money for leisure pursuits.

A poster campaign about to be launched on the London Underground shows Hamlet bolding Yorick's skull as if it



The Coriolanus poster that inspired the series -and a "laddish" advertisement for Hamlet

were a football beneath the away games were life and words "On your head". Furdeath". words "On your head". Further posters are planned to The RSC was inspired to carry out the campaign after coincide with rugby matches.
In a special advertising the success of a poster to campaign in the sports pages of newspapers. Henry V is promote a production of Coriolanus at the time the trumpeted as the macho warrior fighting for England. The Rillers was released in Britadvert is headlined "In 1415 ain. It was a graphic picture

showing Coriolanus, "a natu-ral born killer", drenched in blood and had a "tremenresponse from the "We are trying to relate to

men on their own level and say that there is a lot in Shakespeare that will connect with them, said Andy Cole, spokesman for the RSC. "They might pay £25 to watch Chelsea play but could pay as little as £6 to watch a Shakespeare play."

RSC research shows that

women buy 60 per cent of theatre tickets and of the men who buy them relatively few are under 40.

Frances Hughes, secretary of the Shakespeare Reading Society, said men were underrepresented in theatre attendance. "I go to the theatre 50 or 60 times a year and young men are very much in the minority," she said.

Henry V is at the Barbican

from November 4. Hamlet plays from November 28.

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Bangkok. His sister, Anne Magosfalvi, said he had been

Mr Young's two adult children from a first marriage had

Romany refugees head for Britain after Canada closes the door

ROMANIES claiming political asylum in Kent are among thousands fleeing persecution and unemployment in eastern Europe. German police say as many as 6,000 Romanies are involved in the westward migration. Thou-

sands more join them this winter. Skinhead and rightwing extremist attacks have been increasing on Romanies - in August a gang in west Bohemia set fire to an apartment block where 16 Romanies were staying. Curlews have been imposed on Romanies in Slovak villages, and the Slovak

Government has cut child benefit

to Romanies to curb the "reproduction of socially unacceptable

The first goal of Caech and Slovak Romanies this year was Canada, after a flattering portrayal of the country's policy towards Romany immigrants on the Caech Republic's main private relevision station. But the focus has shifted to Britain, partly because Canada is now insisting on stricter entry rules, including proof that the Romanies are planning to return

to the Czech Republic and bank Britain to Canada. There are now accounts showing enough money: to support their stay in Canada. Many Romanies, having sold their belongings on the strength of the television broadcast, now find they cannot meet the Canadian visa regulations. Britain has become the destination of choice, purtly because it too was portrayed in a good light by television reporters and partly because of rumours circulating in the Romany popula-

Up to 6,000 gypsies say they face racial attacks and state persecution in eastern Europe, write Roger Boyes and Ruth Gledhill more than 4 million' Romanies living in eastern and central Europe, treated with hostility by most local communides. In 1993 when Czechoslovakia broke up, Prague classified over 250,000 Romanies as Slovak citizens, even though two thirds were born on Czech territory. Slovakia thus gained a huge Romany minority. which has swollen to around 400,000. Many Romanies applying for citizenship in the Czech

Republic have been defeated by bureaucracy requiring them to present proof of registered residence and a clean criminal record. Many have been denied benefits because of widespread illiteracy.

In Bulgaria there is a Romany population of 400,000, many of whom live in ghenos on the fringes of Sofia and other cities. Brutal police treatment ensures that they do not stray far from these shanty towns. The unemployment rate for Romanies is high - around 25 per cent in most east European countries - and some younger Romanies have been drawn into organised crime, especially crossborder car theft.

In 1992 Germany found itself the target of a massive migration. similar to that possibly facing Britain. Romanies from Romania poured into Germany and claimed asylum. They quickly found themselves subjected to neo-Nazi violence and caused political embarrassment in Bonn. After

several months of negotiation, Bucharest was offered a cash sum to resettle the Romanies and tens of thousands were deported. Romanies still enter Germany, wading illegally across the Oder river.

According to Isabel Fonseca, author of Bury Me Standing, a study of gypsy life in Europe, where most of the world's 12 millian gypsies live, the Czech Republie has introduced some "draconian" laws which effectively disenfranchise gypsies.

Footballers bet on matches in defiance of FA

gamble on matches in breach of an FA rule, a committee of inquiry into match-fixing allegations will report. Chubs are threatening to bring the protessional game into disrepute by turning a blind eye or claiming that they do not know the rules, it will say.

The inquiry, led by Sir John Smith, a former Deputy Commissioner of the Metropolitan Police, was set up after three players were acquitted in August of match-rigging. They included Bruce Grobbelaar, the former Liverpool and Southampton goalkeeper, and John Fashanu, the former England international.

Sir John was asked to look at possible disciplinary action against Mr Grobbelaar and his co-defendant Hans Segers. soccer and Far Eastern gambling syndicates.

The report is being completed and, according to fooiball sources, Sir John is expected to say that the Far Eastern connections raised in the match-fixing trial are not replicated elsewhere in British soccer. There was found to be no attempt by wealthy gambling syndicates in Malaysia. Singapore and other areas to influence matches. But the report is expected to leave the FA worried and embarrassed over domestic gambling.

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An inquiry will reveal gambling

collusion by clubs,

report Stewart Tendler and

John Goodbody

three occasions when players and managers have been found gambling on their own matches, and in 1994 the FA warned the game about betting. Under rule 26a (IV), players, referees and officials who assist or take part in: gambling on football, apart from the football pools, face unlimited penalties, including being banned from the game.

Sir John took evidence from within the game and from the betting industry. His report is expected to show a significant number of players placing money on match results and other bets, such as likely goalscorers, although the sums are not large.

Players do not always know the rules and clubs are also ignorant or are prepared to look the other way. Club officials told the inquiry that they did not see the importance of the rule. It is believed that players may sign profestold the extent of the rule.

The FA may have to issue a new public warning to the game about gambling and to set an example by severely punishing any players who are caught. When the Smith inquiry was announced in August, the FA said that there had been talks about setting up a unit to oversee the ethical side of the game and this is certain to be raised again.

Although there is no sign that the gambling has led to corruption, football administrators must be aware of the risks. Some players have in recent years got into serious financial difficulties over gambling on other sports. Many older supporters re-

the match-fixing scandal in the mid-1960s. which featured a week ago in a BBC television programme.
Ten players were jailed and dismissed from the game.
They included the former England and Sheffield Wednesday players Peter Swan and Tony Kay. They received £100 each for fixing a 1962 match between Ipswich and Sheffield Wednesday, which Ipswich won despite being second from the bottom of the First

A former Everton and Charlton Athletic player, Jim-my Gauld, was jailed for four years for fixing up to 14



Lena Young, whose late father, a British actor, married her Thai mother in 1991

British girl, 3, begging in Thailand resort

FROM ANDREW DRUMMOND IN BANGKOK

A BRITISH girl aged 3 has been found begging on the streets in Thailand after her father died.

Lena Young was found washing clothes and begging in the beach resort of Pattaya. Her father, Stanley Young, an actor, died aged 54 when she was two weeks old. The girl's mother. Anongnart Young. 35, a Thai national, says that she was refused help from the British Embassy in Bangkok and was told to contact a lawyer. The embassy has ised an inquiry.

Mrs Young says she tried to contact Lena's relatives in Birmingham but they had disowned the young girl. The beach resort is notorious for its sex trade. The local Pattaya Mail has launched an appeal to help the girl. who has British citizenship. The child had been washing clothes for tourists, with her mother, for £15 a month and whatever they can both beg or

A spokesman for the British Embassy in Bangkok said: We are on the case. We are looking into the matter."

Lena's parents married in a Thai register office in 1991. Mr Young was a bit-part actor and his income was sporadic, but he once played a Swiss burgher in the William Tell television series. With the spread of satellite television, showing old programmes, he received repeat fees.

After the couple married, Mrs Young was granted a postponed the trip because of her pregnancy. She claimed that while her husband was on his fast trip home she was notified by the British Embassy in Bangkok that he had died of a heart attack on February 16, 1994. She claimed she had tried

visa to Britain, but she

to contact the rest of the family in Birmingham and to see if her husband had left any money for his daughter in the will. The British Embassy in Bangkok, she said, declined to help.

nothing from his family in England. We lived simply, but we were well-off," said Mrs Young, who showed a page of his building society account which showed he had £92,983 in 1992. Mr Young's family in Britain insisted that he died in

penniless most of his life and had become remote from close family. "I have not seen him for 15 years." Mrs Magosfalvi added that both her parents had died and

barely been in contact. Mr Young's ex-wife Julie, who lives in Coventry, said

that she was struggling, on benefits, to raise the couple's only son Charlie, a 16-year-old who suffers from cerebral palsy. She insisted that her husband had had no money when he visited them.

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Arctic whaling tribes accused of cruelty Aboriginal rights are increasingly at odds with international moves to ban slaughter units.

ban slaughter, writes Nick Nuttall

HIGH in the Arctic, a desper-are people are slaughtering whales with Second World War rifles and homemade harpoons in defiance of international rules, according to an investigation by the

Humane Society.
The findings of the study into so-called aboriginal whaling, by the Yupik and Chukchi people of the Bering Straits. are to be presented to an International Whaling Commission meeting, opening to-day in Monaco. The society will highlight growing fears that Eskimos, Inuits and other tribes are killing more whales than they need, and that the method used is barbaric. The Makah tribe of Wash-

last 6 These people hunted in the 1920s, will be are not villains. asking the com-They are mission for the right to resume suffering and hunting of the gray whale off the whales are the West Coast suffering too 🤊 of America claiming a need to reassert

cultural rights. Environmentalists fear the meat will end up in smart Tokyo restaurants, rather than be consumed by local tribes. At least 13 native groups and

tribes in Russia, Canada and Japan, are expected to submit similar claims if the Makah's bid for five grays a year is

Ivor Llewelyn, the Government's representative at the meeting, said last night that other Alaskan whalers, who are closely related to the Chukchi, had offered help. including more powerful rithe cruelty of the Siberian

The difficulty of policing quotas and ensuring they meet modern standards of animal welfare are underinto the Siberian Yupik Eskimo and Chukchi people. Under commission rules, tribal peoples with a long tradition of whaling, or who have a pressing need for whales as food, can apply for hunting quotas.
The Siberian Yupik and

Chukchi have a gray whales a year. But the hunt must not be commerical. mise cruelty and should tar get only adult animals. The investigators. led by Eleanor

O'Hanlon, an environmental researcher commissioned by the Humane Society, found that nearly half the whale meat from the hunts was being used as feed for commerical fur farms rather than for the hunters and their

Female whales nursing calves are also being illegally harpooned and shot. The hunts, using at 50-year-old



The Humane Society claims that tribes are using 50-year-old Soviet rifles to kill whales. In one illegal hunt of a female gray with her calf, it took 700 bullets to kill the adult

Soviet-made rifles and handheld lances and harpoons, are cruel and lengthy. During one hunt of a female gray with her calf, it took more than two hours and nearly 700 bullets to kill the adult.

Patricia Forkan, of the Humane Society, yesterday called on nations including Britain to put pressure on Russia to crack down on the hunt. The society, one of the world's oldest animal welfare groups, said it would be pressing the commission's members to cut the quota for the Yupik and Chukchi to 60

whales a year.

Ms O'Hanlon said it was also vital that the Eskimos and Chukchi were supplied with modern weapons to reduce the cruelty. She said aid was needed to help those peoples affected by the collapse of the former Soviet Union. "These people are not villains. They have been abandoned. As a result they are suffering and the whales are suffering too,"

Research presented yesterday to the commission's humane killing workshop shows that even the most modern slaughtering methods can be cruel. The Japanese use the an animal's heart in seconds. But researchers say it is incapable of generating sufficient electricity to kill the whale. Per Madie and Geoff Barnes. scientists at Massey University in New Zealand, said yesterday: "We claim it is not the electric lance that the kills the whale but the considerable blood loss. It is possible that

the electric lance helps them

on their way. But if it really

worked it should kill a whale within five seconds. However, in some cases it is taking up to 20 minutes or longer."

Last night it emerged that the Japanese whaling fleet could scrap the electric lance. Mr Llewelyn said that in talks yesterday the Japanese had said tests with rifles had proved successful.

The concern over aboriginal whaling comes amid growing

ing Britain sympathise, calls for all whaling, both commer-cial and scientific, to be banned from international waters. In return the commission's members might back coastal whaling in a country's

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Cherie Booth backs lung cancer alert

POLITICAL REPORTER

CHERIE BOOTH is to give her support to a campaign that begins next week to increase awareness of lung cancer, by hosting a reception at Downing Street.

The Prime Minister's wife recently hosted a similar event at No 10 to promote the fight against breast cancer. Next week's reception marks the start of a campaign by the charity Macmillan Cancer

Relief to highlight the grow-ing incidence of lung cancer among women. Ms Booth's guests, many of whom are editors of women's magazines, will hear the results of new research into treatment of lung cancer sufferers.

A letter from Ms Booth accompanying invitations to the reception says that, if current trends continue, cases of lung cancer in women will double over the next 20 years. It says that nine out of ten cases of lung cancer are connected to smoking, and points out that smoking is on the increase among women. Ms Booth's decision to in-

volve herself closely in the campaign against lung cancer dovetails with the Government's determination to reduce smoking. Last week, Tessa Jowell, the Public Health Minister, renewed that commitment after researchers published new evidence connecting passive smoking with increased incidence of lung cancer.



Tighter rules needed on smear tests .

MEDICAL CORRESPONDENT

AN INVESTIGATION into the way a hospital carried out cervical smear tests will call today for a new code of standards to restore confidence in the NHS screen-

The highly critical report into what went wrong at Kent and Canterbury Hospitals NHS Trust between 1990 and 1995 is expected to reveal that inefficient management, poor training and severe understaffing led to 345 women being wrongly given the all-clear after a test. At least three of the women, by the hospital's own admission, died from a cancer which could have been successfully treated if sponed in time. Many others needed

sterectomies and chemotherapy. The report has been drawn up by Sir William Wells, chairman of the South Thames Health Authority. Although it focuses on Kent and Canterbury, it draws attention to the need for stricter controls throughout the national screening programme.

Smear test scares in the late 1980s and early 1990s led to thousands of women being recalled for tests in Liverpool; London, Scotland and Mid-Glamorgan. In 1994 Julieum Patnick was appointed to

co-ordinate the screening programme and last year guidelines were published requiring better training and manage-ment from all laboratories doing the tests. About two thirds of these laboratories have so far been accredited.

alarm among conservationists

over a proposal before the commission for a global sanc-

tuary. Ireland's proposal, with

which scores of nations includ-

The mistakes in reporting in Kent were first noticed in October 1995 when checks revealed that there were errors in 19 per cent of the tests compared with a national target of 15 per cent. The hospital has admitted liability in only 25 cases but more than 70 women have so far asked Sarah Harman, a Canterbury solicitor, to sue for compensation. Others are expect-





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Pupils threaten to sue over A-level grading

David Charter reports on student anxiety at delays in marking appeals

to sue examination boards over delays in remarking disputed A-level papers after a record number of appeals against grades this summer.

Some want to claim for the extra costs they will incur after missing the last free university places. Those waiting for appeal results or retaking A levels face the introduction of annual £1,000 tuition fees ext October.

The situation has been worsened by widespread con-cern over the English literature A level run by the Associated Examining Board, with schools across the country demanding wholesale regradings. But any changes will come too late for many. students who had to change their higher education plans or abandon them altogether for a year after unexpectedly

Roger Alston, head of Wil-liam Howard School in Carliste, said his 22 students had been distraught to find that coints they were lorecast, they received just 52. It had a devastating effect on the young people's chances of university places," said Mr. Alston, who is still waiting for the AEB's report on the

marking.
Things have gone badly wrong this year somehow and we have talked to our lawyers. but we are not going to bring them in until a later stage. We want the scripts to be put into the hands of independent

Graham Cockill, vice-principal of Frome Community College, Somerset, said that one student lost her place at York University after receiving a C when she needed the B she was forecast. "I think it is entirely possible, if she is upgraded, that she will make a claim against the board," he

said.
"We are one of five schools in Somerset who are not happy that this paper has been ed properly. We want a completely independent mark-

er with a lot of experience to

mark these papers."

Peter Lieil, joint editor of The Law of Education, said: "If a student was awarded a grade too low for the university to accept him or her for the course in question, and if a remark means that that student's grade meets the university requirements, and because of the re-marking

process the student missed the boat for 1997, and the student or his family is facing the prospect of paying up to £1,000 in tuition fees, then in my view the student or his family may be able to make a case for compensation."

SCHOOLS IN NO-CONFIDENCE MOTION

☐ Five schools and colleges in north Somerset are demanding that more than 100 scripts be re-marked for the second time because they have no confidence in the reliability of the

grades awarded thus far.

Four comprehensive schools in south Nottinghamshire are still waiting for reports on why their 70 candidates all received far lower grades on one paper than the other two.

Brook Weston College, in Corby, Northamptonshire, is unhappy that its appeal resulted in only two upgrades out of 14 students.

☐ Yeovil College, Somerset, won higher grades for 33 of its 61

☐ William Howard grant-maintained school in Carlisle has launched a second appeal to the board because just six of its 22 candidates were upgraded. ☐ All 12 students at Ullswater Community College have been

upgraded, including two from fails to grade C.

Haberdashers' Aske's Hatcham College, in New Cross. southeast London, won 17 increases in grade out of 34 students, including three who went up by two grades each.

and colleges over the unex-pectedly low grades awarded on one paper of AEB's English

literature A level (see panel). More than two weeks into the university term, many of the schools are still waiting for news of their regrading. Doz-ens of students missed their first-choice university

Sheila Roser, head at South Wolds School, Nottingham-shire, said: "Our best student got A grades in two papers and an N in the other, coming out with a B when we predict ed an A. This kind of amazing discrepancy was repeated for our nine candidates, but we did not have any grades changed on appeal, so we are wairing for the board's report because we want to take this further. It is most unusual."

George Turnbull, spokes man for the AEB, the biggest A-level board, said it had been a record year for appeals, with more than 8,000 schools querying grades, up on 6,000 last year. But he said the board had no concerns about its English A level, which was taken by 22,000 students.

"We have got more than 15,000 examiners for A level and GCSE and, when things do go wrong, it is usually down to one person not doing what they should, despite all the checks in the system," said

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'I knew I could not have done that badly'

BY DAVID CHARTER

FIONA DRYDEN lost her chance of a place on Glasgow University's English literature course when she received an E in the subject at A level.

despite being forecast a B. Her school immediately lodged an appeal with the Associated Examining Board. Fiona was one of 22 candidates at William Howard school in Carlisle who were forecast a total of 138 A-level points, based on ten for an A grade, eight for a B and so on. They received 52.

"I knew I hadn't got an E and felt confident it would get sorted out eventually when the school said they would appeal," said Fiona. "We were told it might take four weeks.

I was holding a reserve offer from Strathcylde, who said they would wait for my remark and would accept me if it came back as a B."

She decided that she could

not take the risk of waiting and asked Strathelyde formally to reject her so that she could enter the clearing pro-cess. She accepted a place at the University of Northumbria, Carlisle.

"My grade did not change in the re-mark, but I am still hoping to transfer to

Glasgow."
The AEB raised just six of the 22 students' results by a single grade each and the school has launched a further appeal. It is still waiting for the report on the students performance that it requested

Friendly Cambridge quads *show way on state intakes

By JOHN O'LEARY, EDUCATION EDITOR

TWO colleges will be held up as role models as Cambridge sets about increasing the pro-portion of state school students to two thirds. Churchill and King's have exceeded that: target for many years.

Churchill, as the former college of Professor Alec er colleges need to put more Broers, the university's Vice effort into fostering the same Chancellor, will be particularly significant. He supported the college as it encouraged more applications from the proportion of recruits to three quarters without lowering

Alix Langley and James Keen were attracted to Churchill after a comprehensive school education because its reputation for welcoming state applicants was borne out at open days. Miss Langley, a third-year philosophy student and president of the college's A levels at Richmond Further

Education College, southwest demically they have nothing to London.
She said: "I knew about the

proportion of state school people at Churchill and I didn't apply anywhere else because this was the place where I felt comfortable. Othsort of atmosphere."

Mr Keen, who is in the final year of a natural sciences degree was at Fulford School. state system and raised the near York. The school regularnensive, but could offer only limited coaching for the addi

> "I visited five colleges and was going to see more, but cancelled the others once I had state students are daunted by never apply at all, but aca-

Miss Langley has been in-volved in the debate within the university about its response to the Government's review of gardless; of the position on fees, some colleges should be doing more to encourage state

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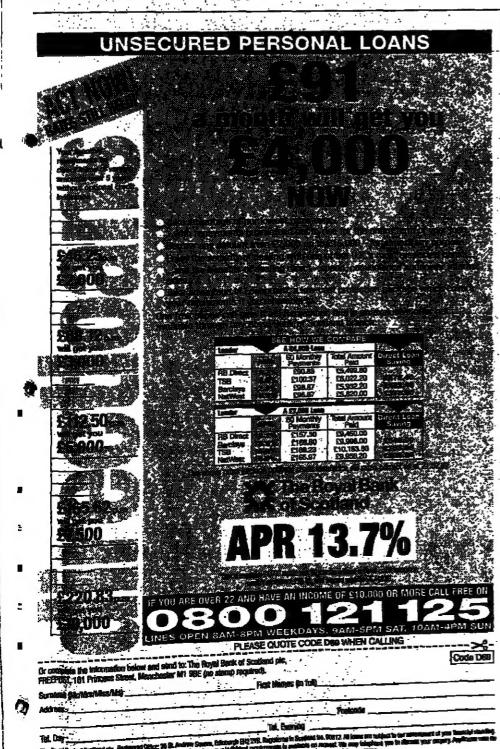


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Michael Evans reports on evidence that the corporation collaborated in anti-communist broadcasts to East

BBC correspondents in East-ern Europe in the 1950s, archives. "The Foreign Office including the veteran broad-caster Charles Wheeler, were fed classified material gleaned Soviet bloc communications in a secret government operation to generate anti-communist propaganda broadcasts dur-

In another private arrangement between the BBC and the Foreign Office, confidential letters written to BBC correspondents by people living in the communist bloc at the start of the Cold War were passed

The extent of the secret collaboration between the BBC and the Government in transmitting propaganda into Eastern Europe in the 1950s is disclosed by Michael Nelson. formerly of the news agency

allowed full access to BBC regarded the BBC as by far the most important propaganda weapon it had in Eastern Europe," he says.

He discloses that a Foreign Office unit called the information Research Department (IRD), which was linked to MI6 and funded from the secret vote, used to give details of clandestine intercepts of East German and Russian communications to Wheeler when he was based in Berlin

in the early 1950s. Wheeler would send the material, selected to cast East Germany in a bad light, to London for the BBC's German Service programmes, Mr Nelson says in War of the Black Heavens, published by Brassey's next month.

The Cabinet approved the been creation of the IRD for propa-



ganda operations that would "emphasise the weakness of communism". The BBC agreed to co-operate.

A Foreign Office telegram sent to all British Embassies said that the new policy was "of particular secrecy". In fact, the Russians were fully aware of it. Kim Philby was the MI6 representative on the Russia Committee of the Foreign Office and Guy Burgess worked, briefly, for the IRD.

Ernest Bevin, then Foreign Secretary, wrote a secret

he said that the Government's views should be made clear in Iron Curtain countries principally through the BBC. Mr Nelson says: "The corres-pondent of the BBC External Services in Berlin was an important channel."

The post had been established with the title BBC European Service liaison officer. Wheeler was assigned to the Berlin post in 1949. Mr Nelson says: "One of the two IRD men in Berlin would visit him in his office armed with cyclostyled sheets of information. He was not allowed to look at them, but the IRD man paraphrased the contents."

They were mostly "gossipy news items about East Germany which Wheeler sent to the German Service in London. "The IRD had access to the clandestine British intercepts of domestic East German communications, so it was not too difficult to find items that put the regime in a bad light or stories that made it look foolish," Mr Nelson

rys. From the end of 1954 the



Charles Wheeler, as a BBC correspondent, sent material to London chosen to cast East Germany in a bad lig

BBC also agreed to pass letters from East European countries "to a secret department of the Foreign Office" (MJ6).

Wheeler, who left Berlin in 1953, knowingly gave information to MI6 on only one occasion. This was at the request of a young West German engineer who had

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been advised to contact Wheeler by a BBC engineer. He gave Wheeler information and asked to be put in touch with MI6.

Mr Nelson says: "Wheeler discouraged this idea, but agreed to pass on to British

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Wheeler tells how he fought the good fight

BY MICHAEL EVANS, DEFENCE CORRESPONDENT

6 I knew my

propaganda

didn't mean it

CHARLES WHEELER, now looks back without regret his days as a "Cold Warrior", when he was the BBC External Services' man in Berlin.

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I would pass anything interesting back to the German Service in London. It was all done on an old boys' basis. There

was a quid pro quo: I handed over material to the IRD and they gave me stuff back. At

Fast Germans and, when they told me

height of the Cold War." He did not know that Major General Sir Ian Jacob Controller of the BBC European Service in the early part of the Cold War, was a member of the Foreign Office's which devised propaganda Union Jacob later became

BBC Director-General. Wheeler said: "I wasn't sent out from London with any particular instructions, but I knew that the shiff I was sending back was being used in the propaganda broadcasts into Eastern Europe. That

was the job in those days That didn't mean it was ies. It wasn't black propagands.

The German Service used to put on some very dever in East Germany. During the programme called The Two Nazis but in the Cold War it switched to The Two Commu nists. It was very effective."

Wheeler described how he got the job in Berlin. "I had lived in Germany before the war, my father worked there. I spoke the language and had been in Naval Intelligence at the end of the war, so when the BBC's External

Berlin neuler to be replaced. stuff was used in someone came into the newsbroadcasts. That tor and asked for volunteers. I went out to

Berlin in 1949. I was only supposed to stay for six months, but I loved it and stayed until

"I suppose I was a Cold War warrior: I had seen the Nazis in the war and East Germany didn't seem any what it was like under the police state under commi nism as it had been under the

"The domestic service had nothing to do with the props ganda side. My domestic counterpart in Berlin, Patrick Smith, was totally straight and disapproved of what was doing. He thought I was just a propagandist. I didn't see myself like that."

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Prince Michael to contest writ for £105,000

PRINCE Michael of Kent will defend "rigorousty" a writ issued by a former business adviser alleging £105,000 in unpaid bills, a spokeswoman for the

Giles Remnant, who parted company with the Prince in May, issued the writ at the High Court in London seeking damages for breach of a signed business

The spokeswoman said: "HRH Prince Michael's lawyers have received a writ addresed to HRH. The service of the writ has not yet been properly executed.
The proceedings will be rigorously defended by Prince Michael." The case three

embarrass the Prince by revealing his financial troubles. He and his wife, Princess Michael, do not receive any Civil List payment, but are expected to carry out official duties as Royal Family members.

Mr Remnant, 42, a former insurance specialist, claims that the Prince agreed to divide equally with him any income and commission from joint business ventures. He also claims a 25 per cent share of retainer fees paid by clients. The sum claimed

near Saffron Walden, Essex, said he was unable to discuss details of the claim as he was bound by a confidentiality agreement.

Earlier this year, reports Princess Michael were £2 million in debt to Courts Bank. They are believed to have suffered heavy Lloyd's losses. In 1981 the couple Manor in Gloucestershire for £300,000 and spent £450,000 refurbishing it.

Prince Michael has agpeared on American television to promote a mail-House of Windsor souvenirs and is reported to have offered himself for him as a £60,000 a year.



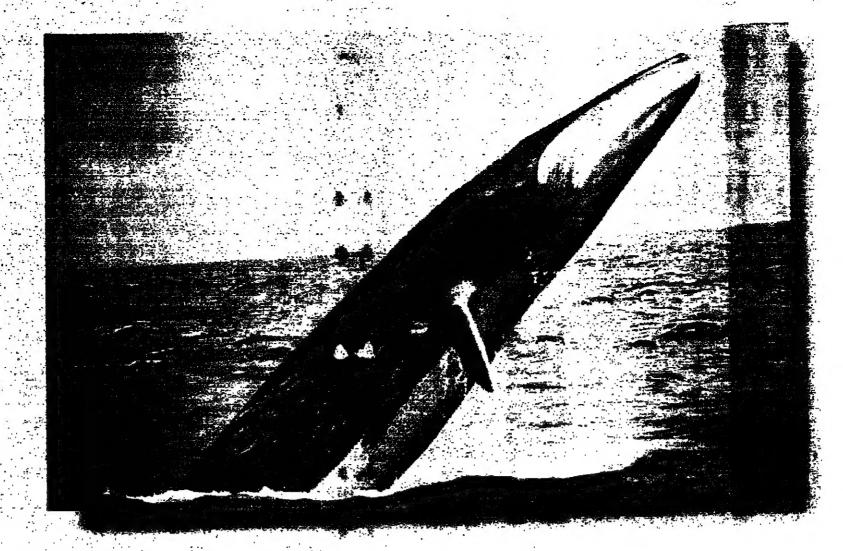
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Turning heads: a new angle on 'ruined' picture

A SKULL on a renovated masterpiece is expected to make heads turn at the National Gallery, after an accusation that restorers have ruined its design. The row centres on finding a correct angle at which to view Holbein's The

The enigmatic skull is a crucial feature of one of the nation's most prized paintings. Holbein painted it anamorphically, so that it appears distorted unless looked at the right way.

One of the gallery's severest critics says that Holbein would not recognise the result of the restored work. Michael Daley, an illustrator and director of ArtWatch UK, which campaigns for the welfare of works of art, has used his expertise as a draughtsman to argue that the restorers misunderstood the laws of perspective. He said: "In key respects, the skull and its significance have been misunderstood. Its design has been altered in apparent ignorance of the artist's method."

Holbein's enormous double-portrait of two diplomats to the Court of Henry VIII, painted in London in 1533, underwent a three-year restoration programme, completed last year. It included repatching the skull after the removal of varnish and earlier repaints exposed losses in the

Mr Daley says that the distorted, elongated design rights itself when seen through a glass cylinder: They tried to make it work Dalya Alberge on how gallery

is accused of ignorance for its perspective on Holbein skull



Opposing viewpoints: Wyld and Daley

from the extreme right-hand viewpoint, which was never intended. To try to make it more intelligible, they changed the proportions of the jaw, making it stick out much further. They've made a ghast-

Mr Daley suggests that Holbein was playing artistic games with a viewing device. The glass cylinder might have been a secret gift from his royal patron. Earlier in his reign, Henry VIII had been painted "in such a cunning manner that the face, when looked at through a peculiar optic, seemed larger than the whole body".

The gallery felt that The

riorated through the ravages earlier restoration. Mr Daley, who felt there was no need for drastic repairs, let alone repainting, is among those who believe that restorers should not rework a painting to how

they imagine it once looked.

"Viewing from the far right does not correct the perspective. Seen from that position, the cranium remains grotesquely distended. On the other hand, seen from the left, the near eye socket is alarmingly disproportionate."

The latest issue of Art Re-view, published on Thursday, will elaborate on his findings to coincide with the gallery's exhibition on the painting, Making and Meaning opening on November 5, and a BBC series, Making Masterpieces, beginning tonight.

Previously, Mr Daley has attacked the National Gal-

iery's restorers for over-cleaning works by Titian and Veronese. His new study backs concerns unitially expressed by John Sharp, a lecturer on art and perspective who also writes computer manuals. In 1994, he contacted the gallery after noticing that their Microsoft CD-Rom contained "a gross error in the skull". Writing in Art Review earlier this year, he said that, although the gallery claimed that the skull appeared in corrected perspective from a particular point", it failed to identify the point.

The CD-Rom showed a sequence of how the image



was developed by using an equally spaced grid of parallel lines which is sheared to reconstruct the skull in a square — "unfortunately, parallel lines do not behave this way in perspective, as anyone a scientific training would know." The National Gallery has since updated its CD-Rom graphics, conceding that Sharp was correct.

Mr Daley's study was further inspired by the optician Edgar R. Samuel. In 1963, he said. Samuel "noted that the

only truly corrected view arises from the front of the picture when the picture is viewed through a glass tube held at right angles to the lateral axis. Such viewing not only corrects the distortion but also triggers an extraordinary

in the picture itself." David Lee, editor of the Art Review, said of Mr Daley's study: "I'm very impressed. He has got them on this. He's proved beyond any doubt that

compositional transformation

seen from the right. It seems the NG in this instance made a first-class pig's ear of it. It doesn't lead one to have confidence that they solicit expert opinion before starting work."

The gallery's chief restorer. Martin Wyld, insisted yesterday that the skull distortions were corrected when the viewer stood in exactly the right spot. He said that he had taken into account various viewpoints on perspective: "It seems to work through a cylinder, and an exact spot

from the right in a certain distance from the picture, and also the left. This is 1533, not 1997, and Holbein had probably not had much experience of this kind of distortion."

He denied that the jaw had been unnaturally distorted: "Holbein's paint survives on most of the jaw". Details such as the lute-case and silk, satin and velvet fabrics were now fully visible.

Mr Daley said: "Perspective can't work from a variety of viewpoints simultaneously."

NEWS IN BRIEF Scouts see volunteer electrocuted

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A retired Scout leader died instantly when he was electrocuted while trying to erect a radio acrial at a forest campsite near Horsham, West Sussex. Dozens of Scouts saw Bernard Worsell, 66, die when the aerial touched overhead power cables carrying II,000 volts.

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His son, Leslie, said his father had volunteered to run the campsite when he refired as a leader of the First Horsham Scout group. "He loved the Scouting life and had been involved for as long as I can remember."

Wheelchair crash A woman aged 18 went voluntarily to police to be inter-viewed about an accident in

which a car allegedly failed to stop after hitting an electric wheelchair in Fenstanston, Cambridgeshire. A woman in the wheelchair suffered two broken legs.

River ordeal

A woman was stranded for four hours in fog on the roof of her car in the fast-running River Swale, North Yorkshire. The soldier's wife, 27, hit a tree near Catterick Camp in the early hours and drove across fields into the river. She climbed out of a window.

Taken for a ride

A man in his early 20s, who stole a bus with 36 people on board, escaped on foot after a four-mile chase by police in-Pontypridd, South Wales.

One passenger said: "We'd
been waiting on board for a
while and I think he just lost

Part-time pilot

Ian Black, 37, of Skelto North Yorkshire, has become the first weekend fighter pilot to fly with the RAF for 40 years. Flight Lieutenant Black, a pilot for Virgin Mac-lines, will fly Tornado fighters under a scheme to relieve pressure on the fighter force.

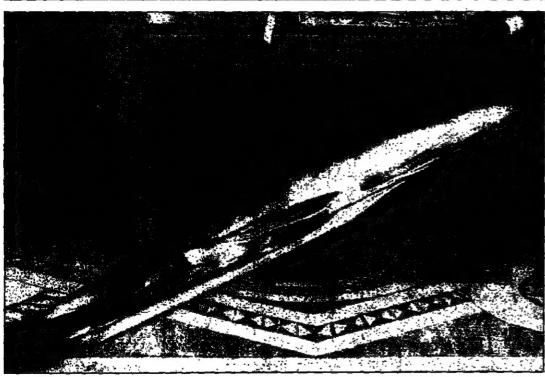
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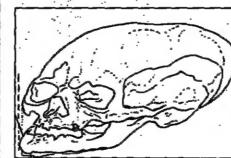
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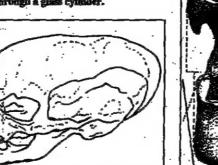
A new product containing finely ground capsicum is said to deter squirrels from stealing food from bird tables. Covering seeds and nuts in Squirrel Away gives the rodents the sensation of eating hot curry. Birds will not be

A QUESTION OF PERSPECTIVE: HOW THE EXPERTS ARE DIVIDED OVER THE BEST WAY TO OBSERVE HOLBEIN'S MYSTERIOUS SKULL



On the left is the distorted skull, pictured ore restoration. You will see it as a skull if you bold your copy of The Times at eye level and view the picture from the top, right-hand corner — the way in which the National Gallery chose to view it for its restoration. However, Michael Daley insists that the skull was designed to be viewed only through a glass cylinder and that the gallery has altered the artist's image. He lus oduced his own drawings to show how he feels the image has been changed. On the right is his







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.Anti-bribe chief calls for arrest of Bhutto

PAKISTAN'S chief anti-corruption investigator has asked the Government to arrest Benazir Bhutto and put her on mal, declaring that there was enough evidence to charge the former Prime Minister with

Saifur Rehman, chief of the Government's accountability department, said several allegations of corruption against Miss Bhutto were ready to be filed in court. He said the charges would be referred to the Election Commission and the Speaker of the National Assembly to seek her disquali-

fication from parliament. Mr Rehman, who is also a member of the Senate, disclosed that last week Switzerland had blocked 12 more bank accounts belonging to Miss Bhutto and her imprisoned husband, Asii Ali Zardari. This was in addition to five accounts in the Bhutto name frozen last month. According to the chief

Mandela: applanded

Switzerland has

blocked 12 more bank

accounts, writes Zahid Hussain

ernment has indicated that 15 more accounts of the opposition leader would be frozen

Investigators said the Bhutto family's accounts in Switzerland contain more than £16 million. Mr Rehman declared: "We have substantive evidence that the money deposited in these accounts was siphoned off from the

confused whose accounts have arrest her would be dictated

criticism of his planned visit to Tripoli.

"How can they have the arrogance to

dictate to us where we should go or

who our friends should be?" he said.

They are so dull ... can you imagine what they would say if I said Boris

Yeltsin should not visit Albania? They

would say that I am the most arrogant

While some guests were visibly

stunned by his outburst, others were

clearly delighted and they applauded when Mr Mandela added: "Notwith-

standing the changes in the world, the

contempt for blacks is still deep-seated,

Mr Mandela's outburst was the

[but] I am master of my fare."

foreign banks." She said that allegations of corruption were "absolutely untrue and baseless". Last week. Miss Bhutto filed an appeal asking the Sindh High Court to stop the Government from what she described as a "malicious

her family. Miss Bhutto also Swiss bank accounts allegedly

asked the court to direct the Government to furnish her with the documents about the belonging to her and her husband. The court will begin the hearing on her appeal on

Queen's visit was disaster, says Delhi

BY CHRISTOPHER THOMAS, SOUTH ASIA CORRESPONDENT

6 Indians

are upset by

what they

saw as

racism and

lack of tact 9

THE QUEEN and Duke of Edinburgh bade farewell to India, perhaps for the last time, on Saturday to virtual jeering by government officials, politicians and the press.

Indian government spokesmen made it clear that the trip would be remembered mostly as a disaster, although there were indications last night that Delhi was ready to start

playing down the row.

The British are peeved that their Queen has been insulted by these uncouth natives and the Indians are upset by perceived racism and insensitivity," a government official said. Such language became

typical in the final days of the royal tour. signed to improve Anglo-Indian ties but instead drove them to their lowest cbb in years. refer-Oueen's ence to "historic

disagreements" and "historical hostilities" in speeches in Pakistan and India were interpreted in Delhi as hidden political statements calling for negotiations to settle the Kashmir dispute. This was seen as interference in India's

domestic affairs. Robin Cook, the Foreign Secretary, further antagon-ised Delhi by saying that Britain was ready to act as a mediator if Pakistan and India wanted it to. His unconvincing denial of the statement fuelled the controversy.

Kamla Sinha, the Indian Minister of State for External Affairs, told a press conference that the Indian Government had appraised Mr Cook of its position on Kashmir. We have decided we are competent to solve our own problems. We don't want any chaperoning from any other country, however friendly." The Queen is not being

personally blamed in India

L. M. Singhvi, the Indian High Commissioner to London, said that enormous enthusiasm and affection had heen shown to the Oucen. But he admitted there was political friction. "There is a certain candour which allows us to speak robustly to each other, but that doesn't mean there is no warmth between us. There is no nostalgia for

the Raj."
India blames the Foreign Office for several mishaps during the trip. "I hope this not affect the substance of ties

ficial said, "Britain may not be influential, but it is an imfocus should have been to build on ecoship rather than political theat-He ac

cused Mr Cook of "playing to the gallery of his constituents, saying one thing in Pakistan and obfuscating in India".

Even the last minutes of the Queen's visit were blighted. Police tried to stop Geoffrey Crawford, her press secretary. from boarding her plane at Madras for the flight home. Jane Wildash, deputy director of the state visit, was jostled when she tried to intervene. When Group Captain Roger Wedge, the British air attaché in Delhi, went to help, an Indian policeman yelled: "I'm in charge." Eventually, Mr. Crawford was allowed to

Some newspapers are still expressing anger at the Duke for saying the number of people killed in the Amritsar massacre of 1919 was exaggerated on a notice at the site. which refers to "2,000 martyrs." The accepted death toll is 379, with 1,200 wounded.



Benazir Bhutto in her Karachi home at the weekend. She denied bank accounts frozen by the Swiss are hers

country." He said that he has asked Nawaz Sharif, the Prime Minister, to order Miss Bhutto's arrest. However, he added

IN JOHANNESBURG

IN THE face of mounting domestic

and international criticism over his visit to Libya this week. President

Mandela has inflamed concerns about

a damaging diplomatic row between South Africa and the United States by

accusing Washington of arrogance and

warning the Clinton Administration

At a banquet in Johannesburg, held

at the weekend in honour of Julius

Nyerere, the former Tanzanian Presi-

dent, Mr Mandela delivered an emo-

tional outburst against Américan

not to meddle in his country's affairs:

by political considerations. Mr Rehman suggested that Miss Bhuno might be put on an exit control list to prevent her fleeing the country. Miss Bhutto has denied that

the frozen Swiss bank ac-

been frozen," she declared. The former Prime Minister said she did not have any connection with accounts frozen by the Swiss Government. But she added: "Even if they freeze my accounts, so what? counts belonged to her. "I'm . Many people have accounts in

Mandela attacks 'arrogant' US in Libya visit row country, because of Libya's refusal to row that erupted after Mr Mandela's Government announced he would visit

> ment said last week it would be disappointed" if Mr Mandela went ahead with the trip.
> Commentators in South Africa have said the visit could damage diplomatic and economic links with America and

Libya on Wednesday en route to the

Commonwealth heads of government summit in Edinburgh. His visit has

drawn sharp criticism from opposition

parties in South Africa and the Clinton

Administration, which sees Libya as a

"rogue" state. The US State Depart-

Britain, the biggest investors in the

extradite two men suspected of bombing a PanAm airliner over Lockerbie in 1988. The issue is expected to dominate talks between Mr Mandela and Colonel Muammar Gaddafi. After a warning from Washington

that the visit could contravene a UN ban on flying to Libya, South Africa's Foreign Ministry announced that Mr Mandela would travel by road to Tripoli from Tunisia. Departing from his prepared speech at the banquet, Mr Mandela said: "Libya was one of those countries that supported us during our struggle when others were working



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Fugitive godfather 'leading Mafia revival'

FROM RICHARD OWEN IN ROME

THERE is growing evidence that the Malia has regrouped under a reinvigorated leadership after a series of setbacks at the hands of the State, prosecutors said at the weekend. They added that the programme of state-protected "supergrasses", or pentiti, which has provided the authorities with much of their ammunition against Cosa

Nostra, was "foundering". Guido Lo Forte, deputy prosecutor in Palermo, said leading pentiti were reverting to Mafia activities, and in some cases had never stopped while accepting state protection and cash. He said the

Mafia had suffered a series of defeats in the five 6 An era in years since it the Mafia murdered Giovanni Falcone, is over the judge. The killing set off a and a new wave of popular revulsion against era has Cosa Nostra, not least in Sicily. begun 🤊 and in the subsequent crackdown

police "decapitated" the organisation by tracking down and arresting its

The arrest of Salvatore "Toto" Riina, the "boss of bosses" in 1993, was followed by the capture of his successor, Giovanni Brusca, last year, and of Pietro Aglieri in June this year, allegedly after a tipoff from Brusca.

But Signor Lo Forte said that after a period when the Mafia had been forced "underground", a new "highly refined and intelligent stratetional criminal links" was in charge of organised crime in italy. A Cosa Nostra Mark Two" had been born, and was involved in international drug dealing, arms smuggling and money laundering. He said the most likely godfather was Bernardo Provenzano, who with Riina, his childhood friend, had taken the Mafia from its rural origins into property dealing, drugs and international crime. Signor

Provenzano and Riina had fallen out, and now that Riina was behind bars, Signor Provenzano was the new "boss of hosses", Signor Lo Forte said. Now in his sixties, Signor run for a quarter of a century. No recent photographs of him are known to exist. The era of Riina is over. A new Mafia era has begun," Signor Lo Forte

The Mafia is reorganising its structure, modifying its strategy and seeking new external points of reference," La Repubblica said. It said the Mafia had succeeded in sub-

verting the pentito pro-gramme, and in some cases "may have used the pentiti for its own ends from the very beginning". Police agreed that one of the key pentiti, Baiduccio Di Maggio, had "pro-bably never

ceased to be part

of the Mafia". He

was arrested last week on charges of ordering a Last month, when 24 matiosi, including Brusca, were sentenced for the Falcone murder, prosecutors in Palermo said they no longer believed that Brusca was genuinely co-operating with the authorities

them "disinformation. Tommaso Buscetta, the first pentito, now in hiding in the United States, said in an interview with La Repubblica that Italy was "letting victory

and accused him of passing

But Giovanni Tinebra, the prosecutor in Caltanissetta, the site of the high-security court for Mafia trials, said he did not believe there was a "Cosa Nostra Mark Two".

"The Mafia has always existed, and is constantly adapting," he said. "It is an occult organisation which keeps the same methods and objectives. When we arrest one others to take their place."



BY RICHARD OWEN

ONE of Europe's oldest libraries, whose treasures include a Leonardo Codex and a 5th-century copy of the Iliad, reopens in Milan today after a £20 million restoration lasting seven years. The Ambrosian Library

was founded in 1609, seven years after Sir Thomas Bodbrary in Oxford. It was the brainchild of Cardinal Federico Borromeo, and became the first public library in Italy. lts initial 30,000 volumes grew to 400,000 printed books, 15,000 manuscripts and 60,000 letters and documents. "It is a DNA of our history." said La Stampa yesterday. The library is named after the patron saint of Milan, St Ambrose.

The library reflected the cardinal's often eclectic tastes. It guaranteed users ink, pens and paper, and in cold weather readers were brought warmed slippers. It still possesses Petrarch's own annotated parchment copy of Virgil poems, the illustrated brought from Alexandria and known as the Ilias Picta, and a manual on the art of painting. De Prospectiva Pingendi. by Piero della Francesca. The manuscript collection include letters from Boccaccio, the author of the Decameron. Savonarola. Thomas Aquinas, Machiavel-

li, Goethe and Stendhal. Perhaps the oddest exhibit is a lock of Lucrezia Borgia's hair in a crystal casket. Byron wrote ecstatically to John Murray when he saw it in 1816 that the hair was "blonder than you can imagine", and is said to have stolen strand "as a keepsake".

The restored and panded Pinacoteca, or art collection.



from self-portrait

on the first floor has a cartoon or preparatory drawing by Raphael for his School of Athens in the Vatican, a still life by Caravaggio entitled The Fruit Basket and Titian's Adoration of the Magi.

est treasure is Leonardo Da Vinci's Atlantic Codex, which consists of 400 pages, many of them covered in Leonardo's scientific and technical drawings. Leonardo lived and worked in Milan, and even designed war machines for the Dukes of Milan, the

Sforzas. The reading room has been computerised, but the heart of the collection remains its books and paintings. A stone tablet that is still preserved in the library entrance warns anyone thinking of stealing a volume that the penalty is no mere fine, but "instant ex-



are thrown in front of the Pope on the urn holding St Thérèse of Lisieux's remains

Pope bestows rare honour on woman By Richard Owen Peters Square was packed entiry that 100,000 people vestowden

with 100,000 people yesterday to hear the Pope declare St Therese of Lisieux. the Carmelite nun who inspired Mother Teresa of Calcutta, a Doctor of the Church, only the third woman in the history of Roman Catholicism to be

The title originated in the Middle Ages and was accorded to those religious figures held to have com-bined saintliness with constanding ment" as teachers or writers. The first four Doctors were St Ambrose, St Jerome, St Gregory and St Augustine. In 1970 Pope Paul VI broke with tradition, adding two females: St Catherine of Siena, the 14th century Dominican, and St Teresa of Avila, the 16th-century Spanish Carmelite nun. The Pope yesterday said that St Therese of Lisieux, who died 100 years ago at the age of 24, also deserved the title despite her youth. "Her spiritual itinerary shows such maturity, and the intuitions expressed in her writings were so vast and so profound, that they merit a place among the great spiritual masters," the pontiff said. He said St Therese "remains young despite the years that pass", and offered an "eminent model" for others to follow. Born at Alencon to a pious watch-

maker's family in 1873, St Therese became a Carmelite nun at 15 after

travelling to Rome to appeal personal-

ly to Pope Leo XIII to be allowed to

tuberculosis, rests on her autobiography, The Story of a Soul, and miraculous cures attributed to her intercession. She was canonised in 1925, and became a patron of France in

For yesterday's ceremony, her remains were brought to St Peter's from France in a golden urn, which was showered with red and white rose petals, recalling her nickname "Linke Flower, and her vow that after her death she would "let fall a shower of roses", thought to mean miracles.



St Thérèse: "Little Flower



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Blair warned of EMU isolation

TONY BLAR'S effort to impose a British stamp on the shape of the European Union is likely to be seriously uncermined if the Government announces that it has no plans to join economic and monetary union for a least five years. EU officials said resterday.

While the turopean Commission and continenal governments withheld formal comment on the sudden shift by London over its internions on EMU membership, there was clear disappointment over the prospect of Britain locking itself outside the project that towers over all other EU business and will do so well into the

With the birth of the euro deemed more certain han ever. EU governments had been encouraged by the signals from the Government that it was looking feeourably on eventual British membership. With 1) states now likely to exter the currency, the inclusion of striing would ensure the euro's states as a global force. they believe. Isw thought Britain would sign up for the launch in January 1999, but German, French and other ministers have voiced satisfaction this month over the signs that London could be paving the way for entry at the launch of

Labour's preferred image as a model

of European virtue is tarnished, reports

Charles Bremner

euro coins and notes in 2002. Despite Mr Blair's enthusiasm for Europe, a firm decision to stay out would inevitably keep Britain on the side-

Sir Leon Brittan, Vice-Pre the Commission, said: "If you give the impression that you are not going to be there for quite a long time four or five years - there is no doubt that your role in Europe is diminished. You cannot be a leader in Europe if you regard yourself as a semi-detached member.

Less diplomatically, continental diplomats said a hard British rejection was likely to heighten the irritation that the Government was already stirring in France, Germany setting the pace for the EU. After a

honeymoon in which the EU wel-omed the euro-friendly stance of the Labour Government, Mr Blair and his team have been ruffling contineural feathers with their claims to be providing a model that the rest of the EU wants to follow...

"They never stop lecturing us," a French official said last week after Gordon Brown, the Chancellor, made his latest appearance at an EU council proclaiming Britain's leader-ship. Jean-Claude Juncker, the Luxembourg Prime Minister, who dency to Mr Blair in January, took a direct swipe at Britain last week, saying he would never "presume to call myself leader of Europe".

The substance of the conflict pits the Government's campaign for flexible labour markets against the continental effort to preserve the "European social model" with its coatly regulations and high taxes. The scene for Mr Blair's first clash with his colleagues is being set for the summit next month in Luxerobourg on bringing down the EU's crushing level of unemployment,

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Jean-Marie Le Pen, the French far-right leader, after speaking to supporters in Nice where he is to stand in elections next year

Napoleons of euro plan to dwarf Britain

Shocking event of the past week was not Helmut Kohl admitting to mortality. His announcement to television viewers (rather than Christian Democrat conference delegates) that he favoured the wity political practitioner Wolfgang Schaüble as a future Chancellor (though not yet, not yet) registered only a brief flicker of interest. Even in Bavaria, it triggered a predictable yet tasteless discussion about whether it was possible to lead Germany from a wheelchair

No, the real shock came in the photographs of Gerhard Schröder visiting Downing Street Herr Schröder, the bullnecked Social Democratic Prime Minister of Lower Saxony, comes over as a big man, but the cameras did not lie when they showed him to be much shorter than Tony

Süddentsche Zeitung discovered another intimate detail: Oskar Lafontaine, the other Social Democratic contender to replace the Chancellor, is a Napoleonic 5ft lin. How would he look when visiting Mr Blair. Would he, like Alan Ladd stretching to kiss his leading ladies, have to stand on a box?

For 15 years of Kohl government, Germany has been ruled by the ideology of Big-ism. Nobody quite matches the bulk of the Chancellor, but his Cabinet is crowded with men as tall as wandrobes: the Defence. the Innovation, the Health Ministers could all play American football. Only Labour Minister Norbert Blum has problems looking his boss in the eyes. Summits with Borks Yeltsin, Bill Clinton and Jacques Chirac are pep-pered with Big-ist jokes about girth and appetite.

Today's informal Cheupers meeting between Mr Blair and the Chancellor takes body politics into a new dimension. The talk is about Big Europe and Small Europe and it seems that this will be the Leitmotif for the rest of Mr Blair's term in office. Naturally, more about Mr Blair's plans for the British stint in the European presidency.

Organising the calendar for the first six months of next year is crucial for his bid to be reelected in the general election in late September. On March I, Herr Schröder has to win regional elections in Lower Saxony with a thumping majority if he against Herr Kohl. The day after, the Social Democrats meet to choose their con-



BY ROGER BOYES

tender: either Herr Lafontaine or Herr Schröder, "ins" and "outs" come shortly afterwards. At least part of the European chorehands, and the Chancellor needs to know the details.

But while the European presidency may give the Labour Government the illusion that it is in the European inner circle, the march of events is indicating otherwise. The meeting last week of French and German finance ministers. accompanied by their central bank governors, showed the drift. There was talk of a new euro council, managed by the French and the Germans but embracing all euro partici-pants. They would meet ahead of the regular European Union finance ministers' sessions and coordinate approaches to tax, public spending and the labour market. The sessions would be, in that most sinister of political terms,

Plainly, these sessions will set the agenda of the political economy. It is equally obvious Britain will be excluded until it signs up for the euro.

This is the reality of monetary union, especially now that it seems to be going for broad club mem-bership. Deals will be hatched in the club room. The non-players and nohopers will wait for the debriefing. "The City will puil Britain into the European monetary union." Herr Kohl tells visitors. But politicians who aspire to a European leadership role that non-participation pushes them, as well as the finances, to the margins.

Mr Blair, under pressure to announce an EMU line by December, will be wanting to know more from the Chancellor about the newly established euro club. Eurosceptics have been warning for years that monetary union will divide unite it. The first cracks are now becoming visible. Mr Blair can still play body politics with Herr Kohl, but

Mugabe wants aid to seize white land

FROM JAN RAATH IN HARARE

PRESIDENT MUGABE today flies to Britain where he plans to present Tony Blair with demands that Britain compensate white farmers for 13 million acres of their land which the Zimbabwe Government says it intends to seize,

Mr Mugabe spent last week touring rural Zimbabwe where he repeated a refrain that the Government had no moral obligation to pay white farmers for land that their forebears occupied a century ago in settling Rhodesia. "If the British Government

wants us to compensate its children, it must give us the money, or it does the compen-sation itself," he said.

Mr Mugabe told audiences at political rallies that he would be raising the land issue with the Prime Minister at the Commonwealth summit in Edinburgh later this week. He indicated that demands would include the compensation of white farmers as well as assistance for the cost of resentling black peasants.

The Zimbabweans are hoping that in one of Labour's first encounters with Africa since coming to power, Mr Blair will be more amenable to their demands than the Tories were. But Mr Mugabe's tone during the week is unlikely to encourage support. He promised that "we are going to take the land and we are not going pay a cent to any soul".

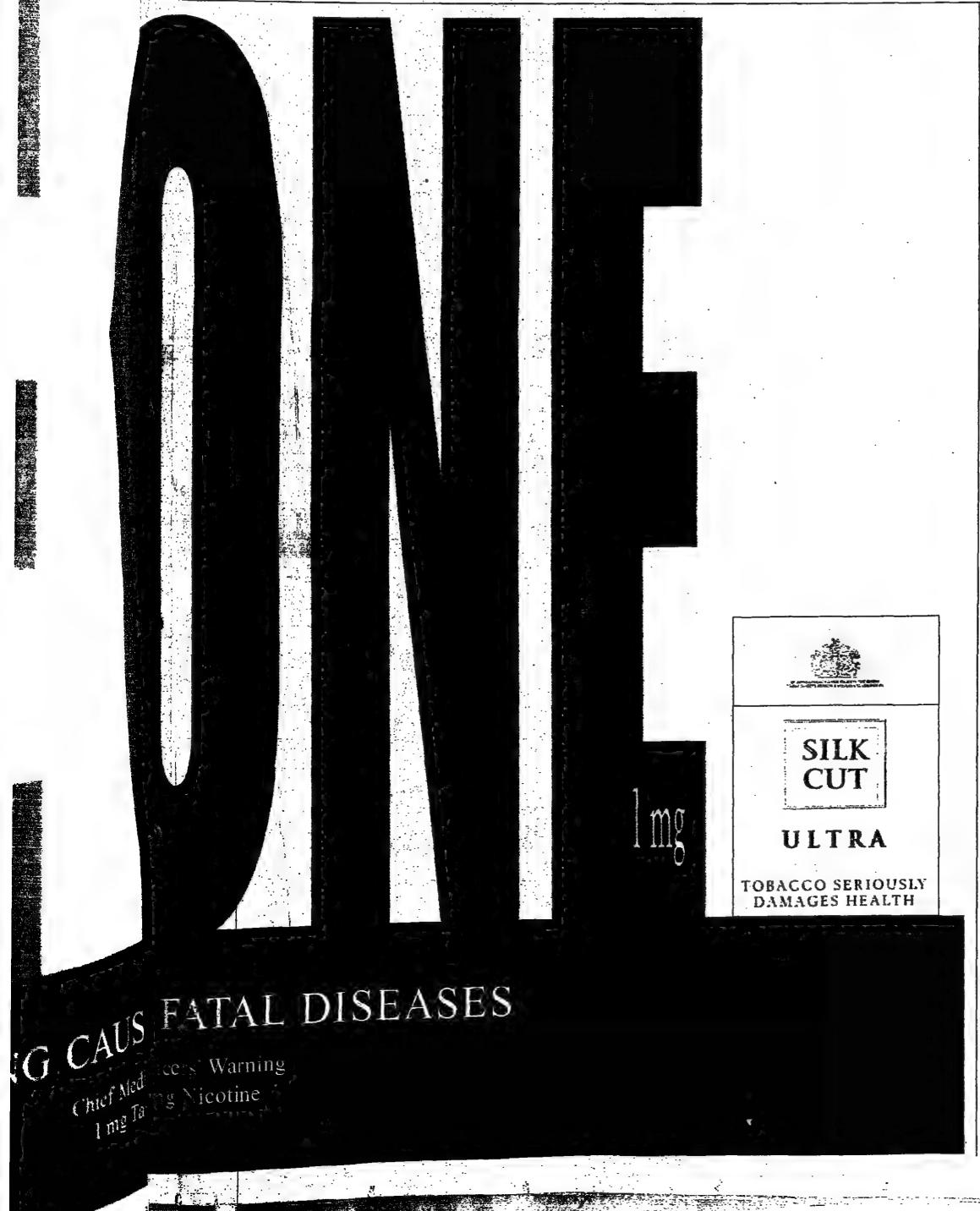
The President also promised to change constitutional protections in the Bill of Rights if it interfered with his "revolu-



land issue with Blair

from Britain, he declared. Zimbabwe would do it alone. Officials of the ruling Zanu (PF) party had identified 1,776 white-owned farms covering 12.6 million acres which the Zimbabwean Government intended to confiscate for peasant resettlement, as well as for guerrilla war veterans and black commercial farmers.

There is no figure currently available for the value of the land under threat, although farm industry sources say it is vast. It is almost half the area now owned by the 4,500strong community of white farmers who produce 85 per cent of Zimbabwe's formally marketed agricultural output, the cornerstone of the economy. Mr Mugabe has complicated the issue with a qualification that although the Government will refuse to pay for land, it is willing to tionary land acquisition pro- compensate farmers who have gramme. Without support made improvements to land.



CIA spy sues after refusal to go out in the cold

FROM TOM RHODES IN WASHINGTON

IN a story worthy of From Russia With Love, a decorated covert CIA agent is suing the intelligence agency, claiming he is being forced out over false allegations of an affair with a Russian spy.

The agent, known as "G. A." as his name is classified, claims in papers filed in the US district court in Washington that the allegation of his extramarital affair, contained in an FBI intelligence report, was "a fiction resulting from a disinformation campaign conducted by an opposition intelligence source"

Most damaging is his fur-ther allegation that the agency has retaliated for views he essed after the 1994 arrest of Aldrich Ames, the worst mole in American intelligence. He told CIA chiefs that the agency was riddled with other double agents.

Shortly after the Ames arrest, the court papers say that he said the CIA "had been penetrated by as yet undetected high-level moles in addition to the recently arrested Aldrich Ames". He believed that Ames, who sent at least ten allied agents to their deaths and jeopardised more than 100 covert operations in Europe over nearly a decade of spying for the KGB. had been deliberately exposed by the Kremlin in an attempt "divert attention from another, more valued mole".

While the CIA headquarters at Langley, Virginia, has declined any comment on the case, the papers describe G. A. as a high-ranking field officer with extensive experience in troublespots around the world. In the course of almost 14 years with the clandestine Directorate of Operations, he received the Intelligence Commendation medal, two CIA meritorious unit awards. six exceptional performance awards, various letters of commendation and consistent outstanding" appraisals of his performance.

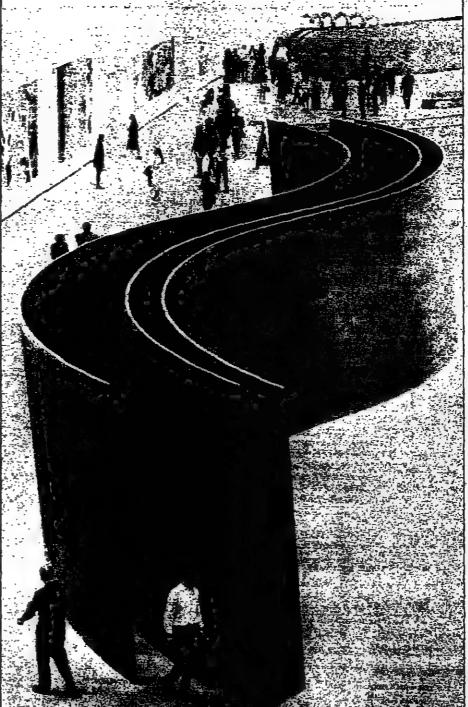
He inined the agency in 1983, served at two unnamed overseas stations and, from. 1991 to 1993, carried out undercover operations in Moscow before returning to America to mm sensitive covert actions in Russia until two years ago.
It was then that he was

confronted with the allegation about a woman named as "Galina". He denied any close contact with the opposition but, after three unsuccessmoved from his job. barred from unescorted access to CIA facilities and placed on administrative leave without pay.

in February this year, his lawyer was told that G. A. was under investigation for failure to report sexual contact with a foreign national female and because he had failed the lie-

The court documents said that he had reported earlier sexual liaisons outside his marriage which did not result in disciplinary action. He also claimed that on one occasion. a CLA station chief had "encouraged him to enter into a sexual relationship with a female ... to gain her trust and confidence".

The lawsuit, which alleges violations of his rights, was filed after weeks of wrangling between G. A., his lawyer and agency officials who had been trying to get him to remain on the CIA payroll. But a recommendation that he be "separated" from the agency is now being considered by George Tenet, the CIA Director.



Serra's The Snake drew visitors at Bilbao's new Guggenheim Museum

Thousands queue for Bilbao's trail-blazing art museum

visitors streamed into Spain's new Guggenheim . Museum yesterday when it opened in the Basque city of Bilbao. The the site of a fatal shooting attack by Eta separatist guer rillas, was welcomed as a symbol of hope to a population weary from decades of industrial decline, soaring unment and violence.

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King Juan Carlos officially

heavy security on Saturday. just days after police foiled an Eta plot to bomb the ceremony. As dignitaries arrived at llam opening.
Most visitors clambered the gallery, about 500 Basque paratists demonstrated outside against the King and the museum they call a symbol of

American imperialism. But the King and Queen Sophia were enchanted by the galleries, which feature sweeping curves of glass,

watched the project take shape for six years at a cost of \$160 million (£99 million). rueued for four hours for the

happily through the Guggen-heim's twisting galleries, hearing the wind whistle as they walked through American artist, Richard, Serra's Snake sculpture and viewed masterpieces by Picasso.

The state of the s Son of tycoon claims abuse by mother

FROM TUNKU V.RADARAJAN IN NEW TORK

IN A filial dust-up worthy of a potboiler paperiack, a mil-ionaire son hassued his even richer mother or control of the family estate, worth \$13 million (£8 million), awarded to her by the recruity deceased

father. William Koeppel, 38, is also claiming in court that his mother Roberta 60, abused him as a child, loking him in "dog cages" fo years and sedating him up to his

The dispute involves one of New York's mest prominent families and is leing followed by the entire city. It arose from the will of a pipperty tycoon, Robert Koeppe, who died last October, In it, ie assigned his estate - complising a property empire in New York and Florida, as well as an assortment of yacits and private planes - to his son, William.

However, here was a catche the will state that his widow, Roberta, should hold the estate in trustfor William until her death. Only then, it stipulates clearly can he inherit the fortune.

wait. Tauned by his mother's lawyer, wio apparently told him that the would live for another "D years", he rushed last week to the Surrogate's Court in Lower Manhattan; claiming that Mrs Koeppel was mispanaging the family estate. He claimed also that she was attempting to make him and his wife homeless.

In court documents he says: When was a child, she locked me inside dog cages. and selated me with medication so she would not have to bother with me." His wife, Jean, has added fuel to the family fire by telling the New York Post that this "child abusin occurred when he was

M's Koeppel, however, has disnissed these allegations as panetic"

Sie said: "As his mother, I feel sorry for him. He's really a list soul in the world. He's more pathetic than anything ele. This dog cage business is soludicrous that it can only

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WORLD IN BRIEF

Kidneys sought from executed Chinese

Hong Kong: Doctors here are attempting to obtain kidneys from executed mainland criminals to help to meet the enormous

demand for transplant organs (Jonathan Mirsky writes).

Yesterday's Sunday Hong Kong Standard said that about 1,000 people in the former British colony were waiting for kidney transplants. Only about 35 such operations are carried out each year and one reason for the shortage of organs is that most Chinese regard it as a taboo for a body to be buried incomplete. According to the US-based Human Rights Watch/Asia, "an estimated 2,000 to 3,000 organs (mainly kidneys and corneas) from prisoners each year are used [in transplants]". Because prisoners' hands are bound, their wills are written by security officials who are permitted to edit them.

Bonn hits back at Grass



Bonn: Günter Grass, left, the German author, was accused by the Government of "scraping the barrel intellec-tually" and of "having no sense of reality" when he said he was "ashamed" of his country in an attack on its policy towards Turkey and Turkish immigrants. Speaking as he awarded a German booksellers' prize to Yasar Kemal, the Turkish Kurd author, he said Germany was only interested in economics and refused to give asylum to persecuted Kurds. (AFP)

Kenya police beat protesters

Nyahururu, Kenya: Police fired bullets into the air, hurled tear-gas canisters and beat Kenyans with clubs in another violent crackdown on a pro-democracy rally. Police, who have broken up all but one of recent anti-government protests, killed four demonstrators in this opposition stronghold 90 miles northwest of Nairobi in July. Yesterday 5,000 demonstrators ignored orders to disperse. Within minutes, police shot a dozen teargas canisters into the crowd assembled on an open field. (AP)

Kidnapped Briton 'safe'

A British aid worker, abducted by tribesmen in Yemen, has apparently sent a letter to diplomats saying he is safe and well (Our Foreign Staff write). The letter has eased concerns for the safety of the man, named by the British Embassy in Sanaa as Henry Thompson, but the Foreign Office said it was continuing to press the Yemeni authorities to secure his release. Troops were reported to be closing in on the kidnappers' stronghold.

Ballot challenge to Milosevic

Slobodan Milosevic, the President of the Yugoslav Federation. faced a new challenge as Milo Djukanovic predicted victory in a vote for the presidency of Montenegro (Tom Walker writes). Analysts fear a defeat for Momir Bulatovic, a Milosevic loyalist, could spark violence. In a first round of voting this month the two were 2,000 votes apart. The electoral commission has since. added 8,000 voters, many of them Djukanovic supporters.

Israeli rape claim apology

Cairo: Ann Moussa, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, said Israel-had officially apologised over the harassment of the Egyptian Ambassador. "We have taken notice but such pettiness should not occur again," he said. Israeli officials have undertaken a damage limitation exercise to preserve relations after the dismissal of claims by an Israeli bellydancer that Muhainmad Bassiouny, the ambassador, tried to rape her. (AFP)



tycoon claims abuse by mother

The glow of uncertainty

NO SOONER had the fog of uncertainty over human evolution begun to clear than some very odd results from Australia threw it back into confusion. Published in Antiquity in December 1996, the findings seemed to show that people living under the shadow of a huge rock in the Northern Territory had not only been around but had been painting graffiti as long as 116,000 years ago. This made the site the oldest rock art site in the world. and threw a spanner into the "out of Africa" hypothesis for man's origins: if Homo sapiens emerged in Africa 100,000 years ago, what was he doing in Australia 16,000 years earlier?

A lot of archaeologists simply declined to accept the dates, and even the team responsible regarded them as "pretty outrageous". Now the latest hints, published in Science, suggest that the site may be no older than about 10,000 years. The controver-sy is over "luminescence dating", the technique used

to measure the site's age. a clock driven by radiation to date ancient artefacts or sediments. Electrons in minerals such as quartz or feldspar are shifted by radiation, at a consistent rate, from their normal position in the crystal lattice into lattice defects or traps. The older the crystal is, the more electrons will be elevated into the traps. But when the material is exposed to light. or heated, the traps empty. producing a dim glow.

By collecting specimens and keeping them in the dark, archaeologists can stimulate the glow in the laboratory by heating, or exposure to a laser or lamp. The amount of glow measures how long the specimen has been covered over...



back much further than carbon dating, and needs no organic material to work on. it works well with shards of pottery or the remains of ancient hearths, but for ordinary sediments needs careful interpretation. This is because the archaeologist assumes that when the sediment was laid down, the bleached by the sun, and the clock reset. If, however, they had been deposited by a river or a glacier, then they posed to enough light to set the clock at zero. In that case, the date they give will

be too early.
At the Australian site, the suspicion is that contaminastone wall may have upset the dating. To check this, Dr Richard Roberts of La Trobe University, in Bundoora, Australia, is redating the sediments almost grain-bygrain to see if they are a mixture of materials of different dates. He expects results by the end of the year, reports Science. Another Australian expert, Dr. Nigel Spooner of the Austra-lian National University, is re-analysing the original Antiquity data and thinks the site could be as young as There are at least 10,000 computer viruses in circulation affecting millions of machines. The Internet allows a new virus to infect computers all over the world within hours

PC viruses under attack

computer during the band of miscreams was inventing ways to infiltrate networks and wreak havoc across cyberspace. Ten years ago this month came the first documented proof of their success. A computer virus called Brain, released at the University of Delaware, was found to have spread "in the

wild" on to several disks. Since then, computer viruses have wriggled on to mil-lions of machines and into popular culture. Worse, the michief-makers who write the deceptive, destructive and ingenious pieces of software, have gone into overdrive. According to next month's Scien-

tific American, then least 10.000 viruses in circulation, with séveral new ones cropping up every day. And where it took months for them to spread around the world. the Internet allows them to spring up globally in hours. Now an elite

squad of computer

scientists promises to outwit the virusmakers. The squad is based at the IBM Thomas J. Watson Research Centre in New York, which has a formidable reputation - its researchers built Deep Blue, the computer that earlier this year defeated Garry Kasparov, the

world's greatest chess player. Viroses are man-made digital parasites, the majority of which are known as file infectors. This means they afflict executable files, or files that perform a function, as opposed to files simply containing data (datafiles are targeted by macroviruses). Examples of executable files are computer games and spreadsheet programs. The effects can range from irritating to destructive - some strew pictures across the screen, while others rearrange their hosts' computer code so the file cannot carry

out its function. Worse, if the file is copied or shared, a clone of the virus goes with it. Viruses are detected using scanning programs, which exploit the fact that viral code is very distinctive. The scanning program checks chunks of code against a library of viral

Scientists have devised an anti-viral program that spreads more quickly than computer viruses themselves. Anjana Ahuja reports

minutes to check for every known virus lurking in 10,000 programs. However, fresh viruses, which have not been catalogued, can elude detection. Neither do these programs always automatically annihilate the intruder -- most are cured manually, by inserting a "disinfectant" disk.

Now IBM's 40-strong antiviral team, assembled over the past decade by Steve White, a former theoretical physicist from the University of California, has come up with an intelligent program that can deal with viruses immediately, hes n encountered be-

fore Dr White, who likens the in-The delay telligent program between mune system, detection showed it at the Virus Bulletin conand cure ference in San Francisco two is a few weeks ago.

. The system works like this. minutes imagine that the program is continuously monitoring the activity of your PC. As soon as it spots something suspicious, the program automatically forwards a copy of the infected file to another machine in your office. This machine removes sensitive information and sends the file on to a central

virus analysis machine run by If the virus is familiar, a tallored "prescription" of anti-viral software is sent out immediately. If the suspicious activity is unfamiliar, the analyser puts the strange code in a digital "petri dish" and investigates how it behaves. If the code replicates and propagates, as viruses are designed to do, the analyser concludes it is a virus. The analyser pulis out a signature, adds it to the

library and makes up a prescription on the spot. Both the signature and prescription are sent back to the original PC and, simultaneously, to other PCs on the same network. Subscribers around the world are alerted regularly about new viruses and pre-emptively "immu-nised". The delay between

initial detection and cure is a few minutes.

Dr White says it is the first anti-viral treatment that can be spread more quickly than the viruses themselves. "In the old days viruses used to get around on floopy disks. Now it uses the Internet. It was easily foreseeable that humans would not be able to respond quickly enough. This automated system takes humans out of the loop completely." The clever technique, called generic disinfection, has already earned the IBM team six

patents, with more pending. Dr White is hoping it will be

game between virus hunter and virus writer, Dr White thinks the new system will allow the hunters to "pull dramatically ahead". He says: We can knock any virus out of existence within minutes of world. It's kind of magical."

it appearing anywhere in the It is a remarkable achievement, considering how many viruses have been recorded. The IBM research centre boasts a secure, alarmed library which contains, in locked cabinets, copies of ev-ery known virus. Dr White says: "We have collected about

14,000 viruses, and we get six

And in the cat-and-mouse to eight new ones arriving every day." He is confident that it is complete and up to date — the small, global community of professionals working in this field exchange information almost daily on viruses via a secure Internet The library's computers.

which allow authorised scientists to experiment with the viruses, have no connections to the outside world, to prevent infection. Despite his clever research. Dr White would be foolish to

assume that the mischief-mak-

interesting." But he views his foes with disdain: "The people who do this range from teenage computer nuts to adults with well-paid jobs. They're not clever, they are actually really bad programmers. Lots of them think they're contributing to research by writing viruses but I'd much rather they went and cooked a hamburger. They don't realise the damage they can do.

"For example, there was a macrovirus called Wazzu which moved the odd word around and occasionally in-serted the word wazzu. What if the virus infected a medical prescription or the Palestinian peace treaty? That's not amusing, that's dangerous.'

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tell just what species of atom they are. Now

two physicists from Arizona State University, Dr John Spence and Dr Uwe. Weierstall, have devised a way of lifting atoms off the surface of a sample and identifying them. The microscope works by moving a very fine up, or stylus, a fraction away from the surface. Electrons leap across the gap and the changing current reveals the humps and hollows of successive rows of atoms in the surface. Often, it is plain what they are, but not always.

in that case, the physicists give the tip of the instrument a five-volt pulse to strip an atom off the surface and attach it to the tip. They then move the tip to one side, and apply a pulse of 10,000 volts of the opposite polarity, which flings the atoms off the tip towards a detector 20cm away. The time of flight tells them the ratio of the atom's charge to its mass, which can be used to reveal its identity. The method may be commercially available in a few years' time.

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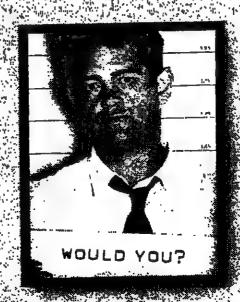
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Johanna Wood was 40, had four children already - and certainly did not want to be pregnant again

Why I chose to have an abortion.

Debbie Beckerman: last Monday's Times

ast year, at the age of 40. I, too, was in the unbelievable position of missing my period. I was married to a man approaching his sixties, and my four existing children were aged nine, five, four and nine months. I had just returned to work as a general practitioner after six years at home looking after the children. I had hoped to be done with babies for ever, and here I was, expecting a fifth.

I cannot honestly say that this was an unwanted baby because I love children and my own expecially, but it was very much an unwanted pregnancy. I had not had easy pregnancies or births, and my last confinement had been so absolutely dreadful that I had still not abusing the confinement had been so absolutely dreadful that I had still not abusing the confinement. not physically or emotionally recovered from

it. Indeed, I had go "caught" the one and only time we had made love since that traumatic birth, while we were arguing over which one of us should be sterilised.

Staring through floods of tears at the thin blue line on the pregnancy test, I felt I just could not have another pregnancy. I rang my GP in desperate haste for an appointment. If only I

could be rid of this nightmare immediately. Indeed, I believe that if I had had access to an abortion that first day, when I was barely two weeks pregnant, I might have done so. I so much wanted to pretend that this was just a missed period, just a tiny bunch of cells, just a nothing, just a blue line on a bit of blotting paper. Significantly I hid my positive result in a cupboard upstairs, because I decided that was all I was ever going to have of this baby.

My GP was superbly professional and kind.

I had every medical reason not to proceed with this pregnancy. He would help me with whatever I wanted. But I was already feeling that I was damned if I did and damned if I didn't. How could I do this to a child made of love? This was my children's brother or sister. Why should this one get the short straw?

Three very significant events beiped me to make my decision. First, my husband was not in favour of an abortion, even though he was as shocked as I was. At the time, I felt he was being heartless; but having one's partner in favour of life and not death is tremendously important. Secondly, this was the week when the papers were reporting the tragedy of a family whose two children had been washed out to sea on a family day out. Mandy These two terrible dilemmas for other families made me realise that mine was a dilemma of choice - of choosing a good thing - and not one of helplessness. Finally, the first person l told me that I would cope. I am eternally grateful to her for such good sense.

After her, everyone else said I would be crazy, selfish even, to go ahead and should definitely have an abortion. And selfishness should be discussed here, because all the reasons I did not want to have a baby were selfish. My figure, my health, my career, my reputation, my future. Me, me, me

The first 16 weeks of my pregnancy were very difficult for me, because with each week the option of an abortion became less and less. At my "advanced" age of 40. I surprised myself by hiding the pregnancy just like a teenager. I wore baggy jumpers and bought no maternity clothes. When it would be hidden no longer and I abandoned the pretence, I was pleasantly surprised to hear one of my girlfriends give a little shriek when she saw this huge bump that

seemed to bave materialised from no-

I did not have any antenatal screening tests, because if you accept the baby then you accept it warts and all, but I was well aware of my risk of having a Down's syn-drome child. Actually, I had an early sean at the Harris Birthright Trust which assessed my risk as 1-in-250, which I found reas-

suring. I was plunged into extra expens immediately because I was so exhausted that I needed help with the other children after school. We had to change the car. We would probably have to move house.

My actual confinement was even worse than I had anticipated. The baby was a transverse lie and I was booked to have a Caesarean after four normal deliveries. On the appointed day, I was wheeled into the operating theatre expecting a straightforward delivery, but had an undiagnosed placenta praevia, which was cut into, and jolly nearly bled to death. I needed a six-unit transfusion and my recovery was slow and difficult. I had to have paid help every day for a month. It was very hard on me.

y surprise daughter is now six months old. Just like every other baby she is a delight - not just to me, but to her brothers and sisters and to her old Dad. She dld absolutely nothing to merit the termination of her little life. She was not just a late period, or a hiccup in my quest for personal fulfilment. The thin blue line that announced her presence was one that we

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Lords need a shepherd

New life peers have to face the intricacies of the Upper Chamber. Eve-Ann Prentice reports

always bang on the dot because Big Ben is held back

as necessary and allowed to

strike only when her foot crosses the threshold."

don, who was created a life

peer in James Callaghan's

1978 list, chose his coat of

arms. He wanted a Lone Star

of Texas, since he is an

honorary citizen of that state, a

harp and a red rose of Lanca-

shire in tribute to his birth-

place. "You may have two red

roses," Garter told him: "A

single red rose is the preroga-

simplify the introduction cere-

mony for the new peers wait-

ing to take their seats on the

red leather benches in the

Upper Chamber, the newcom-

ers might also like to know in

advance that even walking in

procession can have its pit-

falls. New peers, resplendent

in ermine - which they can

either buy or borrow - pro-

cess round the chamber, read

ouths of allegiance and are led

to their seats, where they sit,

stand up, doff their hats and

sit down again three times

before processing again to shake the hand of the Lord

The ushers are very much

Although there are plans to

tive of Her Majesty."

Royal sensibilities also came

Dimbleby told me that she is in charge during the ceremo-always bang on the dot ny, and everything must be

done precisely right, says

Lord Whaddon, who took his

title from the Cambridgeshire

village where he has lived

since 1961, "It was impressed

precise distance between my-

self and the man in front. It

then became apparent that I

was gaining on him, so I tried

missing a step. Don't pause,

my Lord ... take shorter

steps', I was told in no uncer-

f the traditions in which

the Lords is steeped

sound like hell for any

left-wing new peer, the

day-to-day workings can be

heaven compared with the

Commons. The Lords is bet-

ter behaved," says Lord

Whaddon. "You don't have a:

constituency, so the workload

is far less and the whips can't

bring the same pressure to

bear. And because there are no.

written rules, this can be most

interesting: it seems to work

better than the Commons

because you are not constantly

looking for loopholes.

tain manner."

with the usher instructing "I stood there rigid," says Lord Whaddon, "wondering him: "My Lord, you stay what misdemeanour I had where you are, I will bring the committed and how on earth I message to you.'

The new Labour peer froze, perplexed as to what he might have

done wrong on this, his second day in the House of

Lords. The usher, a former

Regimental Sergeant-Major

clad in coat-tails and stiff

white shirt, had told the peer there was a telephone message for him. The former Labour

MP had begun to follow when the usher turned, fixed him

with a stare and told him:

The edict was delivered with

punctilious politeness, under-

laid with the cool command of

someone training a young dog

was supposed to get the mess-

age." This first lesson in the difference between the rough and number of life in the

Commons and the immutable

traditions of the Lords ended

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"Stay there . . . my Lord."

With the Upper House now planning to simplify its introduction ceremony to enable 57 Christmas, the ushers - usually former RSMs or similar rank - are likely to have their resources stretched, initiating the newcomers into the intrica cies of life amid the red carpet and upholstery. So what can these new barons and baronesses expect?

Unlike the Commons, which has Erskine May as its procedural bible, there are no written rules to guide the Upper Chamber. At least the new peers now waiting to take their seats may be spared having to change their names, as was the trend 20 years ago. Lord Whaddon, who is my father, spent the first 51 years of his life as Derek Page, six of them as Labour MP for King's Lynn in Norfolk, Garter King of Arms, the official in charge of sorting out new peers' titles and coats of arms, soon made it clear that Lord Page might not be suitable — after all, a

page is a servant. Even Big Ben has to watch its timing when it comes to Upper House tradition. The Queen always sets her foot across the threshold of the Palace of Westminster at precisely the first stroke of 11am during the Opening of Partiament, and in this she has never faltered.

"She does not hesitate or hang around, nor does she rush up at the last second to make sure she steps forward at the correct moment," says Whaddon: "Richard

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chamber itself because only other experts in a given field can understand them. "There is also a considerable

feeling of history. To sit down, as I did, for coffee one day and find yourself sitting next to Lord Effingham and then realise he is a direct descendant of the commander of the British fleet at the Armada is amazing. That said, there is a certain chumminess between the hereditary peers that is not evident with the life peers. But this is hardly surprising since their families know one another from yonks back."

But much of the work goes on

speakers in the chamber are

There is also a certain ented naively among some of the hereditary peers. At the time of the Cynthia Payne sexfor-luncheon vouchers scandal, a marquess who did not fully understand what Madame Cyn had been up to was told by a life peer that you received wine; a woman and lunch in exchange for the vouchers. "Wine can't have been much good," the mar-

quess noted: Lord Whaddon was on a business trip to Warsaw at the height of the Cold War when his peerage was announced in The Times and spotted by a Polish company director who was returning from a visit to London. "So the first time I was called by my new title was when the Polish Government called me and invited me to meet the Chairman of the Council of State. The red carpet was rolled out for me and I was addressed as 'My Lord'. No one has come up to

scratch in this way since."

Should my father ever get above himself, though, I am Despite what people may think about the image of peers dozing on the benches, the always swift to point out that standard of debate is superior. he is the son of a lorry driver, There are so many experts, while I must be far superior, and the speeches carry the as I am the daughter of a peer.

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My wine, women and wrongs

After a life of drink, women and football, George Best is now importing wine from Italy that will bear his name. Interview by Bill Frost

eorge Best has a headache; not a blinding pain behind the eyes, just a dull throb that was there when he woke up mid-morning. Even the subdued lights of the Italian restaurant seem to hurt his eyes.

"No, it's not a hangover," he insists. "I was off the wine last night, that's why I've got the headache today." He eyes a bottle chilling in the ice bucket by our table and moments later the solicitous waiter has filled his offer.

Best perhaps the most mesmeric and exciting perfomer the English game has ever produced, savours the bouquet appreciatively, but this is business, not pleasure. The delicate champagne flute in his hand seems strangely at

odds with the red and black footballer's shell suit, circa 1989, and the chunky gold bracelet.

His latest venture sees English
football's first enfant terrible —
dried out twice
and jailed once
for drink-driving
— cast in the role
of entrepreneur;

ness partners, Best is importing time wines from Italy that will bear his name and picture on the label.

He sees the dark humour in a project that reminds the public again of his decline and fall, but says that alcohol is now his servant, not his master. "I drink only white wine now, never spirits... well, perhaps the occasional brandy."

Carlo Cataldi, fellow entrepreneur and owner of the Fulham restaurant where Best feels most at home, claims hisfriend has a fine and discriminating palate. "He knows that many people think he is just a drinker, but he knows well what he is tasting, he is not just a man who opens his mouth and swallows.

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TAY IN POCKE

"Next month we will take him to the vineyards and show him how the wine is produced and introduce him to the winemakers. George is only too happy to come."

More bottles arrive at the table for tasting and Best's headache has iiited. He even manages a thin someone suggests that his partners have put "Drscula in charge of the blood bank".

The waiter at Casa Carlo

The waiter at Casa Carlo recommends "a light sparkling wine from the Veneto region ideal at breakfast time". After a toast to the vineyard, the conversation turns to Best's career—six magical seasons at Manchester United, 115 goals in 290 league, FA Cup and European Cup games and an impish virtuosity that matched imagi-

nation with courage.

"My greatest game was probably the hat-trick for Manchester United against Benfice in the quarter-finals of the European Cup in 1966. Sir Matt Busby said we should keep it tight for the first 15 minutes and see how things went. But I scored twice in the first 12 minutes.

"He said afterwards: You obviously weren't listening. The next day all the Portuguese papers had the headlinguese papers had the headline "El Beatle" — that was me and that's when everything took off."

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off." The rollercoaster ride that followed was to take Best, now 51, from the pinnacle of sporting achievement to the depths of drink-fuelled despair. No one, with the exception of his manager at United, the late Sir Matt Busby, was ready to take charge of

Best off the pitch. "As long as I kept delivering the goods, doing the business, they let me get on with it. Even Sir Matt could not control me.

"It was spirits in those days.— I was a hairy-arsed football-

— I was a hairy-arsed footballer from Belfast and wine wasfor poofters. So every night it. was the same routine: out on the town and stay partying until all the others had gone. "Just as I wanted to outdo

everyone when I played, I had to outdo everyone when we were on the town—always the last to go home." Despite evidence of dissipation, his star status and spending power continued to attract women. "They say I slept with seven Miss Worlds, but it was only three." I was always photographed with a blonde on my arm."

On the cusp of greatness and decline, Best was surprised in his sube at the Ritz—
"Or was it the Savoy?"—by a porter, who found the young player in bed with the then Miss Universe beneath a counterpane of £20,000 in new notes. Best recalls: "The guy said: 'Well, George, where did it all go wrong?' I can't remember my reply, but perhaps he saw something I

By the time he was 25; Best believed that the team he loved



George Best with his wife, Alex, at the Casa Carlo restaurant in Chelsea. Some have suggested that letting him import wine is like putting "Dracula in charge of the blood bank"

was in decline. Always highly strung, he began to drink more heavily than ever, seeking the excitement he once found in football from a bottle. As soon as he got up in the morning—and that was never early—there was always that thirst to be slaked. Best began to miss training but "people just continued to turn a blind eye".

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On the cusp of greatness and decline, Best was surprised in his suite at the Ritz—
"Or was it the Savoy?"—by a porter, who found the young back on the bottle.

A drunken appearance on Terry Wogan's chat show in 1990 deepened a growing sense of shame and despair. Four hours in the Green Room left Best very much the worse for wear. "Before then no one had really seen me drunk in public, but the Wogan show embarrassed not just me, but also my close friends and

family. I don't know why it happened. I just wanted to go on a bender and get drunk." Antipasto arrives at the table as Best explains that, although still drinking, he

as he got up to the and that was never are was always that staked. Best began kining but "people and to turn a blind "He pushes the food around although still drinking, he now manages to keep his demons in check." I was born with a great gift and sometimes with that comes a destructive streak."

his plate — "I don't normally eat driviunch" — and says he dreams of the game he still loves almost 1984 every night, "But playing at my age would be unrealistic, my leh tithin foot is almost useless now after trom all the knocks I took," he says was

There is sadness, too, over his treatment at the hands of those who were not even born when he thrilled their fathers. There is always somebody who wants to have a go, even here in Cheisea and Fulham, where I have lived for so long. They try to pick a fight,

They try to pick a fight, shout a couple of mindless insults from a passing car or across a bar. I never respond, although sometimes it is tempting. Even at the height of my fame, 50 per cent of the people who saw me wanted a fight — it's the downside of being a star player. It's less than that now, but I know there are those who'd like to see me in the gutter. They'll never have that satisfaction, though "

His mood lightens with the arrival at the restaurant of his wife, Alex. a 22-year-old former air hostess who hangs on his every word. Inevitably, the

second home for Best.
"None of my relationships with women really worked before Alex. Out of the blue

couple met at Tramp, still a

she came into my life and I have never been happier. Over the years I was probably too trusting, with women and with male friends. But now I am more discriminating.

There are just a few close

There are just a few close mates — Michael Parkinson, Denis Law, a handful of others. They are people I can trust, the people who look after

me if I go on a bender. Alex drinking? Alex spond, chewing we won't have any alcohol in the house. There are lots of lovely crystal glasses but noth-

ing to fill them with."

The latest Mrs Best smiles indulgently: "He is a joy to live with and we are very happy, but of course there are arguments — the most recent was about an overdone baked potato. He is great, but he sulks. Otherwise, there is nothing about him I would change."

Not even his continued

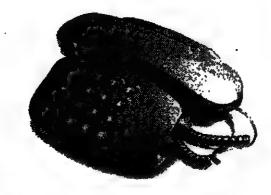
drinking? Alex does not respond, chewing a nail to cover
her silence.

Best provides an answer of
sorts. "I know there are days

when I'll want to go off on a ad jag. Alex knows that, too. There are dark moods and demons, you just need to go off and get wrecked. The difference is that now I can keep the booze under control. I have Alex and a lot to look forward to — my eyes are on the future, efim no longer caught in the past."

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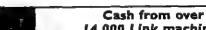


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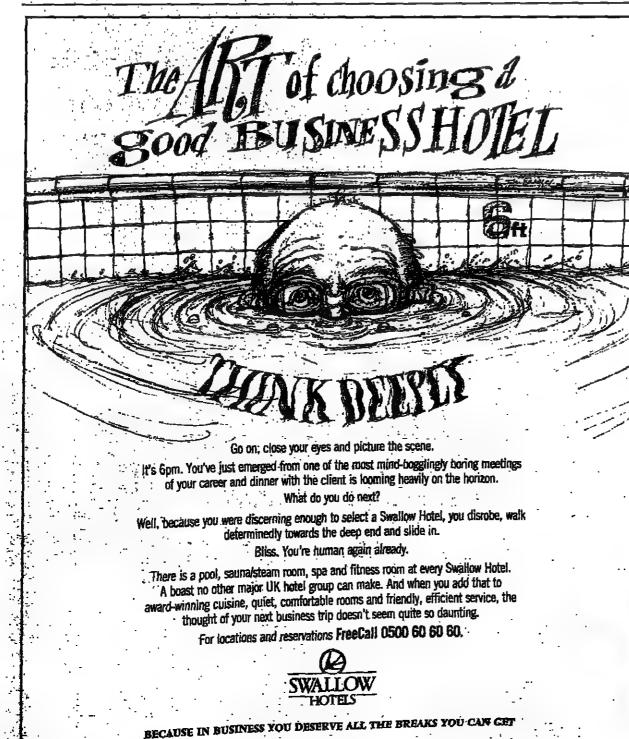
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There are fierce debates in the universities today about the traditional teaching of history. Related to that, I think, is the question of Fiction and History. The distinguished historian Lawrence Stone spoke of History as becoming an "endangered species". For many literary critics today, historical fiction is practi-

cally extinct. Yet the feast of the past has nourished the work of the present for centuries. Homer is a history and Shakespeare made his histories. This century, this generation, even this decade has had its historical novels. And yet, somehow, the form is considered below the salt. Just as the Modernists seemed to degrade narrative, and storytelling was sent to the bottom of the class to become that which distinguished only popular novel-ists, so the historical novel has become thought of as a genre for which only the second-rate need

Labour of love that dare not speak its name

in its perhaps accidental effect of allowing very clever people to think that being merely very clever meant that they were artists, has done some damage to the state of the arts — but that is another subject for another time.

Last summer I reread Evelyn Waugh's Sword of Honour, and the fertility of the relationship between fiction and history struck me forcibly. You will remember that Guy Crouchback, from an ancient English Catholic family, is living in Italy when the Second World War breaks out. Immedjately he tries to return to England to defend his country and fight, as he sees it, for good against evil.

Before he leaves Italy he goes

into his local church to seek out an Englishman buried there several hundred years previously. "He was older than the church, older than anything in it except the Christian thunderbolt which lay concealed at the back of the altar ... his name, just legible still, was

Roger of Waybroke, Knight, an Englishman; his arms, five falcons." He had been killed in a local skirmish, at the moment of victory, on his way to the Second Crusade. This is in the first few pages of Waugh's trilogy and it sets the work on its course. It calls up war and the duty of a warrior in a time when Christendom is threatened. It implies honour and sets the standard by which Guy will judge himself and by which we will

mark his progress as the years of total war depress an ancient

standard. It gives both to the work

and to the reader a country's

history — that of England. An England to be defended as it has

been for so long. In a few paragraphs, Waugh uses history



meaning in what became a great Waugh's touch does not end

there. For example, a little further

stumbled down the steps together. and set out into the baffling midnight void. Time might have gone back 2,000 years to the time when London was a stockaded cluster of huts down the river, and the streets through which they walked empty sedge and swamp."

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hat last sentence triggers off, in any historical imagination, a resonance of the long history of London - conquered resistant, come from the void and now, in the novel, in danger of being bombed back into the void, There is a sense of the fragility of human construction, the impermanence of that grand invention, the city, and the hint of bestial forces now unleashed.

Yet according to many authorities, the historical novel had been

leaving their club in blacked-out dead for half a century when London and forced to walk. They Waugh wrote Sword of Honour. Waugh wrote Sword of Honour. In Longman's Companion to Victorian: Fiction, after encomiums on Scott and Thackeray in particular but also on Dickens, Trollope, George Eliot, Thomas Hardy and finally R.L. Stevenson, notice was served. By this later period [the end of the 19th century] the main impulse had shifted downmarket. via Rider Haggard to the juvenile sector dominated by G.A. Henty, W.H.G. Kingston, and their nu-merous followers. Increasingly,

historical romance (even Steven-

son's) was beneath the notice of the adult reader." So the door was shut. Broadly speaking that opinion has held. Dickens became Baroness Orczy. Thackerny became Heyer, Hardy became Catherine

fessed to friends that I was writing a novel set in 1802 - The Maid of Buttermere — there were pitying looks and murmurs that to go back was somehow to surrender. How could our brilliant present be bypassed? What could historical novels do? One famous novelist said that he could not enjoy the smells of the past, therefore writing a novel in the past was

Yet 12 years later, when I wrote my second historical novel. Credo. set in the 7th century, a remarkable number of writers were also using our history. Beryl Bainbridge in Every Man for Himself on the sinking of the Titanic, Rose Tremain with Restoration; Pat Barker with The Ghost Road; parts of A.S. Byatt's Possession and Peter Ackroyd's
Hawksmoor, Barry Unsworth's
Sacred Hunger, and Julian
Barnes's emblematically titled The History of the World in Ten and a Half Chapters. Why the resur-

Game and match to the set

one of those bodies where relatives or other heirs of the actuclose, not to say blinkered, ev on the material to see that the text stays just as it was when the late Herr Brecht, Mr Beckett or whoever first started being late. Apparently the permission to relocate the original Sichuan woman to a mythical South African city is unprecedented, and a nod of

THEATRE

thanks to the Estate is due for its readiness to relax a fraction, even though Bert B has been dead for only 41 years.

Gcina Mhlophe and Janet Suzman (who also directs) adapted the text for the Market Theatre of Johannesburg and the company has brought the production to the West Yorkshire Playhouse for a week before taking it on a five-week tour of the country (Edinburgh, Cambridge, London. Manchester, Coventry).

However, the Sharkville version runs out of creative steam at the same point as the original, just as the heroine's point, and with more than an

hour to go. Still, when attention wavers, there is Johan Engels's set to look at an implacable wall of drip-stained doors, tilted windows and corrugated iron, reminiscent of any slum anywhere Against this slab of grey the three ancestral gods, amusingly III-acquainted with human subtleties, descend in order to find one good human



By remaining true to the ech! Brecht in its adaptation of The Good Woman of Sichuan, Johannesburg's Market Theatre perpetuates its faults

This being Brecht's view of capitalist society, the three find difficulty doing this, but at last (Shen-Te in the original), a fatuously soft-hearted prostitute who can't say no, starts a business but gives the stock and profits away, and represents, we are required to accept, the impossibility of

both doing and being good. So overnight she creates a male cousin who is hard-hearted, ruthless and successful. The new version is based on Brecht's Santa Monica rewrite, where hard drugs replace tobacco as the source of Cousin Suduka's fortune, further indicating the play's to-talitarian dualism, where

what is not entirely right is absolutely wrong.

Both roles are played by Mmabatho Mogomotsi, wispy dimness alternating with a convincingly sharp-looking cynicism, and OK until she starts to sing. I don't think the fault is the auditorium, but the company yells when required

How insufferably sexist the play is. A woman can only be strong by pretending to be a man and is constantly let down by her feckless love for a rotter. Ironic? I think not. It is Brecht absorbing and adding to the assumptions of his time. and unpleasant to witness

scenes, and the company (until the singing) performs with credit. And, when the rhetoric and the rant and the soppily romantic reversals are too much, there is always the set to

JEREMY KINGSTON

Young, gifted and browned off

A new play tackles the likely fate of the first Asian Premiership player

t is herd to imagine an Indian Isin Wright or a Pakistani Paul Ince taking the field in an FA Carling Premiership match. Brownskinned players somehow don't break through as the new Beckhams, Giggses, Le Sauxs and Scholeses, But what

if one did? How would he fare? This is the theme of Ooh Ah Showab Khan, a young people's play launched this week by the Arc Theatre Ensemble, a group famed for its theatrein-education work. "It's a speculative, futuristic play," says Carole Plucicrose, the director. Highly skilful Asian footballers are overlooked, and the first Asian Premier League player could be three, five, or

20 years away."
The 90-minute play, which will tour until next year's World Cup, is a cornerstone of the new "Kick It Out" antiracism campaign which will focus in particular on Asian

players and supporters.

Och Ah Showab Khan follows Ricking Gut, an unexpected hit commissioned by Leyton Orient Football Club for the 1994 "Let's Kick Racism Out of Football" campaign which highlighted the probiems blacks and Asians encounter from racist coaches. "Kicking Out was the Mouseatre," says Clifford Oliver, Arc's writer in residence, referring to its impressive run of

600 performances. Seen by as many as 100,000 teenagers, Kicking Out toured. community clubs and youth groups. It was also staged at the House of Commons and the Police Federation conference, as well as at a dozen football clubs, from Newcastle United to Millwall. In short, it was a youth sensation. "Two

years on and the theatre in Och Ah Showab Khan is equally good and powerful,"
Oliver says.

An Urdu-speaking Pakistani, Showab Khan faces

racist gibes across the board from goalmouth to board-room, boot room and stands. Team-mates nickname him "Gandhi" and directors refer to him as a "Paki". He gets abuse on the pinch which soon ends in a tracas. The FA becomes involved, then the press, and the British National Party. A female writer, close to the story, is almost fire-bombed Khan communes with the ghost of an uncle, killed by skinheads in a racial attack.

han is "a trailblazer", Oliver says. "He's set-ting the scene for other Asian players, but he doesn't want to hang his identity on a peg whenever be steps into the

game."
"He has a choice," says
Tiran Aakel, who plays him
and was also one of the stars of Kicking Out. "He can either stand up for himself or swal-

The play is aimed at football and non-football kids, club presidents, managers, teachers and scouts. The play is like medieval theatre," Pluckshort, close-up, authentic

gripping.
The addressing the unsaid. It is about not clipping people's wings before they can fly. Otherwise we can forget it, and accept there never being an Asian in the Premier League."

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AFTER its recent staging of War and Peace, Jane Eyre (at the Young Vic) must seem like a mere bauble to Shared Experience. The company's veteran adapter and director Polly Teale has stripped Charlotte Broate's romantic thriller to its melodramatic bones and fleshed it with Liz Ranken's expressionistic choreography and a young cast that trebles and quadruples up in parts as diverse as dogs and horses.

Shared Experience has a habit of cloning its heroines, and Jane is no exception. The first scene is of the rowdy ten-year-old Jane at play with her imaginative self. But, after snubbing her cruel foster-aunt, her better half is incarcerated in an attic room, while Jane grows into a hair-shirted governess of a school run by the sadistic local clergy.

apparent when Jane finally arrives to tutor Rochester's daughter, in Teale's clever adaptation, the mad woman that Rochester keeps hidden at the top of his country house is brilliantly confused with Jane's secret self. It is a conceit that Stevenson. Shelley and Stoker, along with their collec-tion of prize achizophrenics.

would appreciate. of the play, Pooky Quesnel's attic prisoner becomes like Dorian Gray's portrait: a re-pressed, warped, childish, febrile monster. In her mudstained, scarlet dress Quesnel mimics the twitchy tics of Jane as she falls, against her will, for James Clyde's Rochester. By the time Dolan's compel-ling Jane has fallen out with Rochester and fought off the attentions of a dangerously evangelical preacher, her attic writhing in an ecstasy of neglect. It is a riveting spectacle; delivered by a young company that does full justice to a classic ripping yarn.

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angsta rap has arriperhaps the pantomime season has just started early. Since his emergence with the portentous Gangsta's Paradise two years ago, Coolio has become something of a cartoon rapper with a series of fun-for-all-the-family pop hits.

All the same it was bizarre to see him selecting the sedate Fairfield for his only London concert, especially as the echoingly unfull hall was populated with pubescents. Quite a contrast to the very grown-up atmosphere of his first London

Grand early in 1996. So the former fireman, born Artis Ivey and straight outta Compton, came straight inta Croydon and left us wondering if the bookings manager at this genteel venue got a bad connection and thought they said "Julio". imagine his unpleasant unsurprise, and that of compliant parents, when far from a night of Spanish crooning we witnessed a borderline PG-rated, American urban version of Summertime Special, complete with liberal use of the Oedipal expetive. I can see the "Outraged of Purley" letters in the Croydon Adver-

Coolio has defied many of his doubters by showing considerable chart stamma, especially with the sizeable summer hit C U When U Get There, and he clearly has both the nous and the charisma to become a dab hand in the wider world of showbiz. He made one of the entrances of the year out of the boot of a car, and prompt delivery of the early single Fantastic Voyage was promising. He and his group the 40 Theyz addressed their adolescent followers with as much bravura as they

But it was sad to see thatwhat passed for entertainment among such a susceptible audience was largely a mono-chrome display of verbal wall-paper in which this crew, like so many others; confused volubility with ingenuity. A rap contest in which the chief goal seemed to be to humiliate two young girls hardly did them credit either. More momenturn would have been gained by front-loading the set with the two biggest hits instead of saving them as encores.

Thus ended an evening of almost comical incongruity, or the final signal of rap's arrival in the middle classes. Coming soon, perhaps: Bone Thugs-N Night Is Music Night.

PAUL SEXTON



Three steps to heaven

ences have not been edu-Balanchine, it is rare to find a ballet director who will risk an all-Balanchine programme. But here is David Bintley programming three Balanchine works for Birmingham Royal Ballet at the Hippodrome, and urging his audience to share his personal enthusiasm for America's greatest choreographer.

Bintley's "great source of pride" for Birmingham is the first perfor-mance of Or-

pheus by a British pany. Created in New York in 1948. Orpheus is one of Balan-

chine's rare excursions into narrative dance, a form that never really suited his particular genius. The specifics of storytelling here seem to inhibit the exhibarating flow of choreographic imagination that propels his other Stravinsky ballets. The pacing is lugubrious; gesture is crudely expressive; characterisation especially that of Eurydice is ill-focused.

If time has not been kind to Balanchine's choreography, it has certainly not lessened the impact of Isamu Noguchi's designs. They are great fun: symbolic and powerful, naive in their execution and col-oured with sly humour.

David Justin, taking the role of Orpheus, turned in an impressive performance, pol-ishing his dance phrases so that choreographic detail was made absolutely clear. Sabrina Lenzi's Eurydice had a pained beauty, and Dominic Antonucci's Dark Angel a compelling presence.
The style of Orpheus's dra-

ma fixes it firmly in the 1940s. which is why it looks so "period" today. Not su Serenade, made 14 years earlier and still looking every inch a classic. Balanchine made Serenade for his students - it was his first American ballet and he adapted his Russian classicism to the less-schooled bodies he found in America.

Despite its miniaturist romantic dramas, Serenade is essentially an abstract ballet, a work fur the ensemble that gives a real vibrancy to the

Individual dancers shine for one brief moment and are then absorbed back into the ensemble Sere-

nade, like its Tchaikovsky score, is rich in mood and emotion, and the Birmingham dancers did well to capture the "dance in the light of the moon" atmosphere.

The triple bill closes with The Four Temperaments, Balanchine's 1946 choreography to a commissioned score by Paul Hindemith, Again this is a plotless ballet, although it was inspired by the four temperaments of Classical Greek mythology; melancholic, sanguine, phlegmatic and choleric. Stripped of all extraneous

reference, this is dance writing at its purest. From the forthright allure of their pelvic thrusts to the seductive attack of their exceedingly well-pointed feet, the women - especial-Dorcas Walters and Catherine Batcheller — demonstrated Balanchine's glorious assertion that there can be no finer argument for dance

than the steps themselves.

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the bridge for the final performances of ENO's musically majestic Dutch-man in a highly auspicious house debut. Matthew Best has taken over the title role. He may lack the sheer physical presence of his predecessor, Willard White, but he colours his baritone with a sheen as dark as his oilskins. Stein Winge's undistinguished production hardly helps him to make the terrifying first entrance that should be every Dutchman's right. But once on

stage, Best takes command.

Frozen in his ioneliness while the Norwegians scurry around spinning and boozing. Best personifies the corsed outsider the Romantic poets and novelists loved so much. The first sight of Senta (Rita Cuills in gloriously free voice)



casts a momentary spell, a brief glimpse of salvation that is not going to last too long. This is the stuff of demonic opera, with the spirit of Weber and Freischild not too far away. It was back again in the final trio, with Best still in full vocal cry when he realises that his interjude from the stormy seas is finished.

An apology was made for a throat infection. None was needed. The singing could perhaps do with a little more ecato, but it is a fair bet that Best will be back when the

Mark Beesley is now Daland, who runs a looser ship than the Hollander. The Steersman (John Hudson) sleeps and the crew (ENO's chorus on top form) roister as soon as they get the chance. Beesley's voice is a bit light for the part, but he offers up a jolly seadog with a rolling gait. especially when a bottle is to hand. No complexities here -

leave that to the Dutchman. Paul Daniel has handed over the orchestra to Alex Ingram and he drives a performance that holds back nothing as the waves lash the Norwe gian coast. There may sometimes be a lack of drama on stage, hampered by the clumsy and obstructive sets, but no shortage in the pit.

JOHN HIGGINS

Adolescent dream team in the whirling rhythms and virtuoso runs of a Polovisian

Te are used to being assonished by precocious musical talent. Even so, the playing of the first young performer to appear on the platform of the New Names group, under the umbrella of the Dimensions festival of Russian music, took the breath away.

Juliana Ardeeva is a 12-yearold Muscovite planist with a string of credits to her name already. What impressed so forcibly about her playing in Tchaikovsky's Meditation was not only the fullness of her tone, but the stylistic maturity. Phrases were drawn with a subtlety that would have done a top player proud: dynamic nuances and teasing little pauses that all sounded as if they sprang from her own imagination.

There was fine depth of

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tone, too, as well as a nice handling of rubato, in a Waltz by Rachmaninov. Next up was a 12-year-old

violinist, Artur Chormonov. who looked all of eight. Clutching a diminutive instrument, whose tone did him little service, he made musical sense of a group of pieces, also from the Russian repertoire. Intonation may not always have been spot-on, but his facility in the upper positions boded well for the future. An 18-year-old oboist, Alex-

ander Mozdykov, showed as much flair in the jaunty finale of Levitin's Oboe Concerto as

Dance from Borodin's Prince igor. Ardeeva's assured accompaniments for both oboist and violinist threatened to, but did not quite, steal the show. Finally, the 17-year-old Aidar Gainulin proved just what tonal variety can be extracted from the bayan or Russian accordion. His con-

trol of the wind-supply was as skilful as his fingerwork was dazzling in music by Mussorgsky, Zoubetsky and Derbenkov. All in all, a showcase of formidable youthful talent, and if Juliana Ardeeva's name

is not internationally known in a few years' time, then there is no justice in the world. BARRY

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Spelling out the voting alternative

Robert Maclennan on the

danger of half-hearted reform

fter the 18 years of Tory have opened. Constitutional reforms are pouring down. It is possible that the electoral system will be altered to secure fair representation across the country. However, some faint-hearts

wish to stop this with an system known as the Alternative Vote (AV). This will not do. They need to be reminded of the extraordinary times in which we live. On May 1, 60 per cent of the country voted for two parties which have 70 per cent of the MPs, and which put constitutional reform at the heart of their agenda. Labour pledged itself to reform, in endorsing the conclu-sions of the committee chaired by Robin Cook and myself. It was clear about its plans; this is what it said in its manifesto: "We are committed to a referendum on the voting system for the House of Commons. An independent commission appointed early to recommend proportional alternative to the first-past-the-post

Tony Blair has given us no reason to think that he will swerve from his commitment on proportional representation (PR). We can be confident that he will keep his word for a number of reasons. First, it. would not be in his character to break his word. There were those who doubted Labour's voting system for the European elections in 1999, but the Government has found the

Secondly, the case for a referendum is supported by a large Labour majority, and also by 46 Liberal Democrat MPs, as well as members of other parties. Since the election the dialogue between Labour and the Liberal Democrats has continued. Labour has neither weakened nor deviated from the agreement we reached.

The electoral reformers who promoted the referendum and who support a proportional that PR will reform the nature and quality of government. In Edinburgh, Tony Blair her-alded the victory on Scottish devolution as "the beginning of the end of big government". PR would bring that end still closer. In Britain, as in other advanced democracies, it is exceptional for one party to win a majority of the votes. Since PR ensures that seats in the legislature reflect numbers of votes cast, the largest party in Parliament would not normally have a majority of the seats. Without such a majority it would not be able to ride roughshod over the other

Once you end the largest party's unfair majority of seats. Westminster reasserts itself against Whitehall. The executive and the legislature have to co-operate, or at least engage in dialogue. The wishes of minorities cannot be gnored because their votes are important to the larger parties. But nor will they be given undue weight, as voters will punish third parties in government for pursuing their own and not the public's priorities. As politics becomes more inclusive, then eccentric. dogmatic and narrowly based policies disappear and the

Government makes better

Reformers can be optimistic that Labour may come to favour PR because it will both advance the party's constitu-tional goals and work in Labour's interest. All PR systems should prevent a repetition of the postwar situation in which the Tories have won the greatest number of seats at eight elections, but scraped more than half the vote only

once (in 1955). Australia shows how AV operates. Since 1911, members of the House of Representatives (equivalent to our Commons) have been elected from single-member constituencies using AV. Instead of marking an X next to their preferred candidate, Australian voters rank all the candidates on the ballot paper. They give their favourite candidate a 1, their second favourite a 2, and so on. A candidate who gains a majority of is wins outright. Sometimes, however, this does not happen and an elimina-

tion process begins.

AV is complex and in fewer than 10 per cent of seats does it produce different results from the simpler FPTP. Clearly. FPTP produces oddities: in Britain in 1951. Labour won more votes than the Tories. but FPTP gave the Tories power. But AV, 100, can pro-duce freakish results. In 1951 Labour would probably have had five fewer seats under AV. In 1954, the Australian Labor Party received a majority of the primary vote and still failed to win the election. In 1977, the Australian Labor Party won 40 per cent of the

votes, but only 28 per cent of

the seats under AV.

It is hard to be certain how AV would affect the overall outcome of British elections. However, in the long run, no party can be sure that AV will work to its advantage. AV appears to add an unpredictable distortion to the effects of FPTP nationwide. It certainly does nothing to correct the regional and demographic distortions of FPTP. Under AV in bly have lost both their seats in the urban North of England. In Scotland and Wales the 800,000 Tory voters would almost certainly not have been represented under AV. But when the pendulum swings the other way, the exaggerated unfairness for Labour could be

The danger with AV is that it will prevent real reform. Some see it as the first part of a move towards a proportional system, but this has not been the case in Australia, where there has been a campaign for PR for 70 years.

The introduction of AV would be a retrograde step which its advocates would require to be tested to destruction before the public would be given at last the opportunity to embrace a fair electoral system. That is no doubt why Labour's manifesto recommended a proportional alternative and not simply any alternative to FPTP.

Robert Maclennan, MP. is the Liberal Democrat President, constitutional affairs spokesman and a member of the Cabinet's Joint Consulta-

An approach has yet to be made

but that is likely to change. How it

will be received by Major remains to be seen. Another problem for

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Even conventional politics have to take a back seat in the struggle for America's moral high ground

the Americans were feeling less L political, or talking less about straight politics. Normally one finds in Washington that every other conversation ends up by discussing who is likely to be the next President. No doubt, as we get nearer to the year 2000, that will again become a hot topic, but nobody seems interested in it now. The issues which people are discussing are more cultural than political, though it is often politicians who make the cultural headlines in

Last Friday the New York Post gave its front page to one of these stories. "Veep hails Hollywood for gay TV character". The actress. Ellen De Generes, in a character also called Ellen, came out as a lesbian on American television. Al Gore, speaking in Beverly Hills, said that: "When character of Ellen came out, millions of Americans were forced to look at sexual orientation in a more open light." He went on to predict a new "golden era" for Hollywood, but urged producers not to glamorise violence, tobacco and

Gore's speech was closely in line with the new morality. "Progressive" Americans are very liberal on sexual matters, but come close to a prohibitionist view of tobacco, as well as drugs; some of them are hostile to the sale of alcohol as well. This sexual liberalism has been demonstrated in already reached England.

Jane Fonda, the icon of the 1960s. has joined with Durex Consumer Products, the contraceptive company. in a campaign to oppose the federal Government's \$50 million "abstinence until marriage" programmes for the young. She says that "abstinence until marriage is based on an unreal world that isn't out

American politicians, who find themselves having to discuss these

Promising start tor cultural crusaders

have met a familiar scene at the Conservative and Labour Party conferences, where these were among the most important issues raised. Republicans would have been out of line with the views of Michael Portillo and William Hague.

In the United States the political division on these issues is a complex one; President Clinton's Democratic Administration is proposing to spend \$50 million on promoting abstinence until marriage, though the funding for that campaign depends on Repub-lican votes in Congress. But the general division of principle still holds: Republicans are the conservatives on moral issues, though they have a libertarian minority in their party; the leading Democrats are usually liberal on sexual issues, though interventionist on issues such as tobacco and the

The conservative reaction to the new morality has been much stronger in the United States than anyng we have seen in Britain. That has been true of the Right to Life campaign against abortion, and is also true of the Promise Keepers, the organisation of men who have committed themselves to a moral covenant. Their pledges include being Christ-centred, caring for their fam-llies, joining a small men's group, attending church, overcoming sectarian and racial divisions and spreading Christianity. The Promise Keepers belong to the American which is particularly strong in the South and West.

In October the Promise Keepers had a great rally in Washington, which seems to have been attended by between 700,000 and one million men. They sang Martin Luther's moving hymn, A Mighty Fortress is Our God. President Clinton gave the rally his rather cautious approval:
"There are those who have political differences with some of the statements which have been

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made by some of the leaders of the organisation, but no one question the sincerity of the hundreds of thousands of men ... who are willing to reassume their responsibilities to their families and to their children and therefore to our future," The commitment to male responsibility to the family, "no more abuse, no more abandonment", is the core of the Promise Keepers'

Before the rally happened, the Promise Keepers did not get much sympathy from network television. On the day, the rally was covered by

NBC was the only evening network ews builtern to carry the story; both ABC and CBS stayed with college

Television would not have neglected a "politically correct" rally of this size. Women's groups were divided. Some women feel that the Promise Keepers are a masculine attempt to restore male dominance. This has been the view of the National Organisation of Women (NOW). On the other hand, some of the less. radical women commentators took the view that it must be a good thing for men to promise to take their responsibilities within marriage more seriousty.

There are also "New Traditionalist" women's groups who largely share the morality of the Promis Keepers, but from a woman's point of view. Some women in Washingtoncame out to greet the rally with signs such as Thank God for men who keep their promises".

When one discusses more obviously political issues, there is the same sort of response in the United States as in Britain. Health and education are the issues which people are most concerned about. The cost of the American healthcare system is enormous; there is inceasing rationing of expensive treatments and investig-

Education is largely financed locally by property taxes; the publicare excellent in wealthy

the social problems are worst. Slum schools, filled with crime and drugs, form a Darwinian battleground for the survival of the finest. Unfortunately, few people in those neighbourhoods can afford to send their children in the cheker of their children to the shelter of private schools.

In the United States, among all the

major ethnic groups, there is now a moral battle, what Bismarck called a Kultur Kampf, between those who believed in Christian rules of conduct and those who follow the new morality. The media and the academic community are, generally speaking, on the side of the new morality, as are many, but by no means all, of those who belong to the cognitive elite", the high-flyers of the prosperous middle class. The conservative movement lacks publicity: the more fashionable lifestyle of Hollywood, of supermodels and of television personalities gives glamour to the new

owever, the moral conservatives are a mass movement. L they get strength from the fact that they are not the elite, that they are not "limousine liberals", but ordinary, low and middle-income working Americans. Apart from the very poor, they are the social group which has been closest to the damage of the fragmented family. They blame family breakdown on the decline of Christian belief and on the "nihilistic culture" which has been propagated. by the social and cultural elite.

When the New York Post reports that Al Gore wants to "force" millions Americans to look at sexual; orientation in a more open light", the tabloid editors know that many New Yorkers, who do not live on Park Avenue, will see that as yet another elitist attack on the family. Perhaps the President's line on the Promise Seekers shows better political judgment than Al Gore's, if not greater

Who shall go back to the ball?

By-elections can

create comebacks

— and unpleasant

surprises, says

Peter Riddell

The pulses of many former Tory MPs will have quick-ened last week when they heard that Piers Merchant was to quit the Commons. Sympathy for the messy end of a political career will have been accompanied, and the chances of a possible return to the Commons at a by-election just six months after being defeated.

By-elections are among the most

important, yet often misunderstood, aspects of politics. The forthcoming contests in Paisley South, Winchester and Beckenham will attract enormous interest, and rightly so. However, by-elections are often dismissed as of little consequence, unrepresentative and over-hyped events with few wider implications and none for the next general election. But that is to misread their role, as is clear from a timely new survey. By-elections in British Politics, edited by Chris Cook and John Ramsden.

As David Butler points out in his introduction, by-elections "are so much discussed as barometers of public opinion that it is easy to ignore their basic function - the replacement of a Member of Parliament". Not only did both William Hague and Michael Portillo first enter the Commons via a by-election, but Oppositions have easierly used the first by-elections of a Parliament to bring back their heavyweight casualties. Harold Macmillan returned for Bromley, next door to Beckenham, in November 1945 after losing his Stockton seat four-months earlier. Anthony Barber was returned for Altrincham and Sale in February 1965, also four months after the 1964 general election. So there is a well-trodden and



Sir Malcolm Rifkind or any other former minister to follow. But gov erning parties have not always been as successful as Oppositions in bringing back unexpectedly defeated senior figures. The second defeat of Patrick Gordon Walker, then Foreign Secretary, at Leyton in January 1965 has never been forgotten and was one reason why Chris Patten turned down the option of an arranged byelection in 1992.

By-elections allow opposition parties to display their strengths. The greater volatility of voters in the past two decades has produced some spectacular swings. These are often mistakenly treated as long-term forecasts, tather than expressions of short-term protest. The sceptics are right that by-election results are wholly unreliable as any kind of

predictor of a later general election outcome, even one only a few months away. The venerable Peter Snow entertained, but seriously misled, with his graphic extrapolations about what a particular result might mean. for the party balance in the Commons. In the last Parliament, the Tories often pointed out that in 1992

they regained all eight seats they had

lost over the previous five years. In

miss the point. Protests can them-

last May's landslide, however, they won back a mere one out of nine previously lost. The longer-term average is that between two fifths and three fifths of seats lost in by elections are later recaptured. But to dismiss by-elections as merely outlets for protest votes is to

selves be significant. By elections, or opinion polls, cannot be treated as a judgment on which party should form the next Government. The size of the swing, or fall in the previous vote, are rough-and-ready measures of current unpopularity. Precise fig-ures, which can be influenced by local factors and tactical voting matter less than broad trends. The consistency of poor Tory results, and good Labour ones, from 1994 up to Wirral West last February showed that the Tories remained deeply unpopular and were failing to win-

back support.

Moreover, by elections can have a big public impact — from the days of John Wilker's repeated re-elections for Middlesex in 1769-70. As Dr Butler points out, the Conservative victory in Newport in October 1922, helped to bring down the Lloyd

George coalition, while Westminster St George's saved Baldwin in 1931. East Fulham in 1933 was seen as demonstrating public opposition to rearmament, and Orpington her-alded the Tory disarray of 1962-63. More recently, the Tory rout in Ribble Valley in March 1991 added to the pressures to replace the poll tax by the council tax. Bad by election results can influence party management and force Cabinet reshuffles.

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The coming by elections will affect the opposition parties more than the Government fleaving aside what should be the Labour safe seat of Paisley South). The main interest in Beckennam is the identity of the Tory candidate Windrester is the first case since 1910 where a general election result has been declared void by the ballot papers failed to be stamped with the correct mark and this might have reversed the two-vote victory by the Liberal Democrat Mark Oaten. The rerun gives Gerry Malone, the former Fleath Minister, another chance. What will happen to the 1.598 votes cast on May I for the Referendum Party and the 1,700 for four other independents? A Eurosceptic

looks like running.
The by-election will test Paddy
Ashdown's closer links with the Blair Government, which have already created worries in his own party. Mr Malone has attacked the Lib Deros for being the same as Labour. Despite some talk about standing aside, Labour is likely to put up a candidate, though may not mount much of a campaign, having won just 10.5 per cent of the vote on May 1. Much is at stake. A win for Mr Malone would a big boost for Mr Hague's leadership, and could fuel criticism of Mr Ashdown's strategy. Overall, by elections matter, not as

predictors but for the fate of politicians and parties. Professor Ivor Crewe is right that: "In the river of British politics, most by elections are mere peobles; but among them are rocks that capsize the canocists and the occasional boulder that afters the course of the flow." If Beckenham is mainly remembered as a steppingstone for the revival of a political career. Winchester could be a jagged

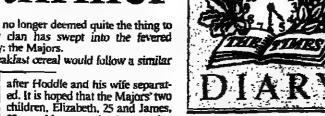
Cereal thriller

NOW that Glenn Hoddle's family is no longer deemed quite the thing to advertise Shredded Wheat, a new clan has swept into the fevered imagination of its advertising agency: the Majors. A proposed new advert for the breakfast cereal would follow a similar

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22, would appear in the remake. ant of Hampshire, making him a representative of the Queen in that county. Now he might be asked to "The Majors are an ideal family unit." says a voice at the advertisadjudicate in disputes about royal ing agency, McCann-Erickson. coverage. It is a good job Lord W is such an honourable man, other-They are not going to appear on your television screens shortly, but wise cynics might suggest a conflict we are working on strategies where we would consider them."

Salty tale

THE bracing air of Brighton has inspired Labour MPs representing coastal seats. Blackpool South MP Gordon Marsden has set up the Backbench Seaside Group, which will promote the delights of life sur la plage. MPs will be bringing

their buckets and spades to the inaugural meeting next month. Unfortunately, Marsden is determined to kick sand in the face of



A London musical about the relationship between Noëi Coward and Gertrade Lawrence has dismayed Gertie's daughter, Pamella Clarworthy. She accuses the production, Noël and Gertie, which just opened at the Jermyn Street Theatre, of having "no bearing in reality" and says it "belittles the intricate relationship they shared".

Despite Coward's reputation for dancing on only one side of the stage, his relationship with Lawrence fuelled much contemporary gossip. The musical, written by the ebullient luvvie and Coward biographer Sheridan Morley, has evoked mixed opinions. While Twiggy, who is to play the part of Lawrence when the production hits the United States next summer, enthused "I'm loving it". Lord Archer of Weston-super-Mare managed only a few snores from the seat be-

● ENTHUSIASM for the Australian cricket team has failed to penetrate Charlotte, North Carolina. At an auction held during the town's annual cricket tournament earlier this month, a bat signed by the Heartaches - a second-league cricket team belonging to the lyri-cist Tim Rice - raised £400. When a bat signed by the entire Aussie Test side came under the hammer, it raised a meagre £100.

Good taste?

LAST night's launch of LWT's new food show Dinner Dates must have surprised television viewers. The hosts of the show are former footballer Lee Chapman and his actress wife Leslie Ash, whose relationship, despite being depicted as the apotheosis of domestic bliss, was shown in the cheaper prints last week to be stormy.

Equally surprised was the pro-prietor of a chic dating company whose name LWT had borrowed for the title of its show. Hillie Marshall, writer on relationships, agony aunt and proprietor of the Dinner Dates company, is concerned that the rather de trop programme might damage the reputa-

"it's such a vulgar-looking effort. My solicitor sent a letter to LWT asking for a disclaimer to be broadcast, or for them to change the name - but they refused. It all seems so unfair."

 ONE hopeful unlikely to reach the Beckenham shortlist is Nicholas Budgen. The former MP spent the Tory conference touting himself around constituency representatives. "I intend to stand in the next" by-election," Budgen told me. "I-like politics. I'm rather good at it.". After supporting Lord Tebbit on race relations? Hmmm.

Spaced out

NEW Labour's battle for office. space at overcrowded Westminster commues. The Tories are holding on to rooms they were allocated for their non-existent MPs," complains Stephen Pound, MP for Ealing North. His advice: "Buy Janet Anderson as many drinks as possible." She is the formidable." offices to MPs. Pound has his eye

ANOTHER tough decision for



an invitation to join the Prince of Wales at the Royal Gala Film Première next month? As Tory leader, he ought to attend but his advisers have pointed out that the film, Titanic, billed as the ultimate disaster movie, is bound to lead to more embarrassing headlines. government whip who hands out 'Hague is still keen to go. He has been promised that the startet on Piers Merchant's room, "but I Kate Winslett - for whom he has a don't know what I'll find in there" particular weakness - will be there. Don't tell Ffron, anyone.

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Heard on the High

From Mr Jonathan Lamb

Sir, The Reverend David Copley's letter (October 17) on learned conversations overheard in Oxford streets brings to mind the contributor to a radio programme some years ago who said he had seen two gowned figures approaching him on the High.

deep in conversation. As they passed him he heard only two words: "And ninthly ..."

Your obedient servant. J. C. LAMB, The United Oxford and Cambridge University Club, 71 Pall Mall, SWI.

INS AND OUTS

How Blair can defend Britain's interests outside EMU

monetary union for the duration of this Parliament, Tony Blair and Gordon Brown have acted boldly and wisely. They have given Britain time to weigh the biggest transfer of national sovereignty in modern history. They have also averted a serious. threat to the credibility, stability and popularity of the new Labour Government. But Mr Blair will continue to be dogged, like every other postwar Prime Minister, by questions about Europe. The most daunting and urgent of these will be about the relationship between Britain and the new single currency zone. When the Prime Minister meets Helmut Kohl this morning

he would do well to concentrate on this issue. Only last week the German Chancellor. agreed with France to create an "informal" committee of EMU finance ministers excluding those of non-EMU countries which would meet before every official meeting of Ecofin, the European council of economic and finance ministers. This EMU "stability council" would in theory confine its agendas to matters directly relevant to the operation of the single currency zone. In practice, however, federalists who see the single currency as the decisive step towards an economic government of Europe will be tempted to transform the stability council into the real decision-making body, reducing the official Ecofin to a mere rubber stamp. For European federalists this would give EMU an explicit political dimension and create a powerful "political counterweight" to the unaccountable European central bank. It would have the added advantage of excluding from Europe's key economic decisions the "awkward squad" of nationally minded countries, including Britain, which have often acted as a brake on the federalist and interventionist ambitions of Brussels.

Britain obviously cannot prevent the EMU countries meeting to discuss matters of common interest. This does not mean, however, that Mr Blair must accept that a loss of British influence over European policy outside the strictly monetary sphere is now inevitable. Still less should he concede

By ruling out entry into the European that EMU must naturally lead to an extension of European economic harmonisation outside the monetary sphere. This is precisely what Herr Kohl, Jacques Santer and other federally-minded European leaders maintain in private - and will doubtless argue

publicly once EMU is launched. Britain is in a strong position to resist this stepwise encroachment of federalism. Mr Blair has three powerful cards to play. The first is his domestic political popularity, now reinforced by his decision to hold fire on EMU, which gives him a claim to speak as the genuine voice of his people that none of his European counterparts can match. His second advantage is the good performance of the British economy, particularly with regard to employment. This gives credibility to his vision of a decentralised and marketorientated European economy, with the emphasis on policies at the national level to

deal with social problems. Mr Blair's third advantage is less glamorous, but even more important. This is the requirement for unanimity on most of the major decisions of economic governance under the treaties of Rome, Maastricht and Amsterdam. These include any EU attempt to co-ordinate or harmonise policies on taxes, social security and public spending. This gives Britain, along with the other non-EMU countries, an unbeatable trump card. for use in future conflicts with any "informal" consensus reached by the proposed EMU stability council. As long as Britain and the other EMU "outs" retain their powers of veto over taxes and other key economic policies, they can resist any tide of economic federalism sweeping out from Germany and the rest of the EMU zone.

Now that Mr Blair has decided to stay out of EMU for the next five years, he must make clear to Herr Kohl and other European leaders that he will have no qualms about using the veto to protect Britain's national interests. Only thus can he defend the ideal of the EU as a community of cooperative but independent nation states with equal treatment assured to all nations, whether in or out of the single currency zone.

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Fences to be jumped if 'first past the post' is abandoned

From Professor Emeritus Francis West

Sir, Sir Robin Day ("Not quite first past the post", October 15), in arguing the case for the Alternative Vote (AV) in parliamentary elections over the Single Transferable Vote (STV), proposes three modifications to the system: reduce the weight of preference votes of lower-scoring candidates; confine preferences to the four highest; and exclude the preferences of any candidate gaining less than 3 per cent

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of the votes cast. Perhaps these modifications would make AV simpler, but they would not ensure Sir Robin's aim that candi-dates should not be elected on a minority vote. To the contrary. If some preferences are limited and others excluded, it is perfectly possible for a candidate to be elected on less than 50 per cent of the votes cast — a situation which could only be avoided if the voter were required to express preferences as regards every one of the candidates on the ballot paper. Even then, unless there is compulsory voting, a winning candidate may well have less

than 50 per cent of registered voters. No doubt the proposed commissionon voting systems will look at the Australian model for the House of Repre-Sentatives.

I am, Sir, yours faithfully, FRANCIS WEST (Professor Emeritus of History and Government, Deakin University, Australia), Churchill College, Cambridge. October 16.

From Mr David Prockter

Global warming

From Dr David Carson

Sir, Sir Robin Day gives only one valid reason why we should introduce the Alternative Vote system - the fact that "it would ... be fairer than firstpast-the-post, under which many MPs can be elected even though more votes have been cast against them than for

Sir, In response to Nigel Hawkes's

question." Is the Earth really getting

hotter?" (Mind and Matter, October

13), we can answer without demur

recorded close to the Earth's surface

over the last century is simulated by

climate models when all the factors

which influence climate are taken into

Niño warming and volcanic cooling are subtracted from the satellite

record, there remains a small upward

trend in global temperature. This

trend is smaller than at the surface.

but deducing trends from only 18 years of satellite observations is very

Climate models do not require, as

Hawkes suggests, that the tempera-

ture of the lower atmosphere is deter-

mined by a balance between incoming solar radiation and outgoing infra-red

radiation: in the real world heat is also

transported by convection and evapo-

ration, and the models represent this.

tend that we have all the answers, but

the state of our knowledge is not as

bleak as Hawkes makes out, and it is

wrong of him to suggest that "most

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experts . . . disregard" satellite data.

DAVID CARSON

and Research, Meteorological Office,

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(Director),

October 13.

We certainly would not wish to pre-

Once the interfering effects of El

The temperature rise of about 0.6C

In an attempt to eliminate such cases, AV sets out to discover which candidate the "non-for" voters are least against. But, aithough Sir Robin describes the system as "simplicity itself", with his proposed additions it would involve such a palayer that it is hard to see how the voters could possibly predict the consequences of their

choices. It would be more conclusive to introduce a simple last-past-the-post system in which electors were asked to put their cross against the name of the candidate they would least like to see elected. The candidate with the fewest votes would then he returned on one straightforward count and fairness would be seen to have been done. . On the other hand, we could leave

well alone. Yours faithfully, DAVID PROCKTER, 36 London Road. Marlborough, Wiltshire.

From Professor Vernon Bogdanor,

Sir. The Alternative Vote system is used to elect the Australian lower house. It has produced outcomes even more erratic than those occurring under our own first-past-the-post

In 1954, Labor won just over 50 per cent of first-preference votes, but the Liberal/Country Party coalition, which gained just 47 per cent of first preferences, was returned to power, in 1961, Labor won 48 per cent of firstpreference votes, but its Liberal/ Country Party opponents were again returned to power on just 42 per cent

of first-preference votes. In 1977, Labor yet again won a greater number of first-preference votes than any other party, but the . Liberals, with just 38 per cent of first preferences, gained an overall majority of seats, and the Liberal-National coalition controlled two thirds of the

Sir, May I echo the call made by Sir

Louis Blom-Cooper, QC, and Profes-

sor Terence Morris, in their letter of

October 10, for a review of the law of

homicide, especially as regards the two principal crimes of murder and

the Criminal Law Revision Commit-

committee (1989), a number of impor-

Is the law right to say that in order to

be convicted killers who commit the

worst homicides (murder) need not

intend to kill, provided they intend to

gross negligence manslaughter and

reckless manslaughter -- or does the

former encompass the latter? The

need for a clearer definition of the

What is the true meaning of the "loss

of self-control" requirement? Why

should the provocation be in the form

of human conduct? What is its rela-

tionship with diminished responsi-

bility manslaughter? (Defendants not

uncommonly plead both, yet legal

theory suggests the two are mutually

Are there two separate offences

tant questions remain, including:

Notwithstanding reports made by

(1980) and a House of Lords select

From Mr B. J. Mitchell

manslaughter.

seriously injure?

former is paramount.

seats on 48 per cent of the vote. In 1990, by contrast, Labor won an overall majority of seats, although gaining nearly 4 per cent fewer first-preference votes than the Liberal-National coalition.

Sir Robin argues that under STV you are liable to have permanent coalition government". Yet, in the Irish Republic, where this system operates, there has been single-party government for around half the period since Irish independence, and single-party majority government for around a quarter of that period.

There is nothing whatever to stop voters, under STV or any other proportional system, from giving a single party a majority, provided that 50 per cent, or nearly 50 per cent, are pre-pared to vote for it. A system which allows the largest minority, or, as in Australia, the second-largest minor-ity, to enjoy an absolute majority in the legislature, seems to me the very antithesis of democratic government.

Yours faithfully, VERNON BOGDANOR, Brasenose College, Oxford. October 15.

From Mr Oliver Morton

Sir, Sir Robin Day wrongly states that the Single Transferable Vote system

cannot be used for by-elections.

An STV election could be held in a multi-member constituency that has lost one of its MPs. The remaining MPs, who do not contest the empty seat, are then joined by the first candidate to pass the 50 per cent mark. Such a one-candidate version of STV would be quite fair, and effect-

ively identical to the Alternative Vote system preferred by Sir Robin. Yours faithfully,

How should the law deal with mercy

killing or euthanasia? There is a wealth of evidence to show that large

numbers of people do not want this to

be treated as murder, and the current

practice of relying on sympathetic psy-

chiatrists to support a diminished res-

ponsibility plea is unfair and unsatis-

In addition, my own recent research

suggests that various parts of the law

and sentencing are out of step with

public opinion, which may help to

explain why court verdicts do not

The present law has evolved in a

largely piecemeal fashion: what is

needed is a wholesale review of the

homicide law, including fundamental

The fact that we are fortunate in

having relatively few homicides com-

pared, say, to the United States, is no

reason for refusing to tackle such an

always reflect legal theory.

important set of problems.

(Reader in Criminal Justice).

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The case for reviewing homicide law

orthodoxy, but rather upon what will entice the largest number into church, or anywhere else, are precisely what is causing the dissolution of Anglican

identity and the decline in average Sunday attendances. Evangelism is not a matter of providing what the man on the Claphan omnibus will swallow - performed. I suppose, on the top deck of the Clapham omnibus. It is exalting Christ in

Carey's comments

require reflection

Sir, Dr Carey's comments (report,

October 14) suggest to me a misunder-

standing of the nature of liturgy and

evangelism and will encourage priests

to break their promise only to use au-

thorised liturgies. Acts of worship

which are not built upon doctrinal

From the Reverend David Dale

doctrinally sound liturgy and preaching, which issue in holiness of life. In this parish, which uses the Book of Common Prayer twice each Sunday and Rite B from the Alternative Service Book once, and which has no truck with heterodox high jinks, the average Sunday attendance (which includes people of all ages, status and income) has grown by over 50 per cent in five years. Orthodoxy — the true glory of man in Christ — works. It

criticised and talked down. The ill-considered religious activity conducted in bizarre venues which has been urged upon us during the same five years has caused average Sunday attendances, in general, to plummet; it simply does not work.

should be encouraged, not constantly

Yours faithfully, DAVID DALE, All Saints' Vicarage, Ryde, Isle of Wight, October 14.

From the Reverend John Wynburne

Sir, The Archbishop's encouragement to take church services into the pubs, supermarkets and onto the streets needs careful reflection. While it is mistaken to confine the presence of God to any building, holy places have always been set apart for worship.

In the midst of commercial, industrial and residential premises, the church building offers us a signal of transcendence, a window upon God. We can indeed worship God anywhere, providing that the context of that worship serve, " . " ur hearts and minds to a .piritual " hension and, facilitates encounter with the

Yours sincerely. J. P. B. WYNBURNE The Rectory, Wycombe End, October 14.

In the beginning . . . From Mr Keith Brace

Sir. The opening sentence from Ford Madox (one "d") Ford's The Good Soldier might perhaps have made the list of striking opening lines in The Oxford Dictionary of Literary Quotations [letters, October 18], had it been

quoted correctly.

It is not "This is the greatest story I've ever heard" - as Sue Arnold is said to have quoted it (report, October 13) - but "This is the saddest story I

have ever heard". . Yours sincerely, . . Greenbank, Frogmore Road,

KEITH BRACE Snitterfield, Warwickshire. October 13.

From Mr B. W. Ravenscroft

decide which was which

Sir, Mr D. B. Gurrey (letter, October

15) inquires about matrimonial deci-

sions. When we married, nearly 40

years ago, we decided that I should

make the major decisions and my wife

the minor ones. Moreover, I was to

It has worked perfectly ever since.

Snap judgment

From Mr R. Conrad

Virtual libraries

Sir, You report on October 11 (see also letters. October 16) that "Every public library in Britain should provide access to the Internet" under a plan backed by Tony Blair.

The day before, The Oxford Times reported: "A pioneering computer centre [in the Westgate Library] intended to help people overcome their fear of new technology is shutting on October 18 - just six months after a grand opening by a government minister. Too few people were using ...

Wrong Government? Yours faithfully. R. CONRAD, 22 Hartley Court, Woodstock Road, Oxford. r.conrad@btinternet.com October 16.

Technology in schools From the Reverend Andy McMullon

Sir. As a first and middle school governor with responsibilities for computing and information technology, I believe we should by all means take advantage of Mr Bill Gates's interest in education, but I agree with your leading article's concerns (October 8: see also letters. October 15) that at the same time we should take steps to safeguard against the potential dangers of putting too much power into a single pair of corporate hands.

The best way to ensure this is to insist that all the interests involved in the provision of technology (both hardware and software) and educational content (Internet or CD-based) provide open systems which can be fully integrated alongside the others into the Web-ucation that Mr Blair wants our children to have.

Yours faithfully, ANDY Memullon. 95 Airfield Road, Upper Marham, King's Lynn, Norfolk skypilot@bigfoot.com

Drink-drive limit

From Mr J. M. Jones

Sir, Mr Hugh Johnson (letter, October 15) claims that lowering the bloodalcohol limit would impoverish the lives of people living in rural areas.

Are we to understand that driving round country lanes and roads while under the influence of alcohol does something to enrich the lives of people living in these areas? If, as he possibly means, these indi-

viduals' only source of solace and contact with the rest of humanity is the local public house, or dining out with friends, could they not take turns with a partner or friend to do the driving but not drink alcohol?

Yours sincerely, J. M. JONES, 36 Hippodroomlaan, B-1933 Sterrebeek, Belgium. October 15.

Saxon warhorse

From Mr Anthony Maynard

Sir. We too have excavated an East Anglian horse burial this year (report and leading article, October 8; letters, October II), amid Anglo-Saxon skeletons, as part of a long-term village project involving students at all levels from primary school to postgraduate. and the interested public. That is archaeology.

We do, though, have our sensitivities, and intend ultimately to re-inter the skeletons at the site and erect a suitable memorial.

Yours faithfully. ANTHONY MAYNARD (Trustee). Sedgeford Historical and Archaeological Research Project, Hill Farm. Church Lane, Sedgeford, Norfolk. October II.

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OFF THE MARK A reformed system should reduce A-level appeals

A fresh cause for complaint about the A level has been added to criticisms of the content of courses and the debate on whether the rising pass rate reflects stronger performance or weaker standards. Serious flaws have come to light in both the quality of A-level marking and the appeals process. The problems in grading scripts may turn out to be concentrated on on certain boards and subjects. But the flaws in the appeals pro-

cedure have relevance across the spectrum. Examining A levels is an unusually thankless task, ill-paid and compressed into an extraordinarily short period of time. Allowing for these constraints, many markers perform remarkably well. Yet when errors in A-level assessment stem from either failure to add up marks correctly or the misinterpretation of marking conventions, this is profoundly unsatisfactory. It invites the suspicion that many more errors

exist within the machine. Problems are compounded by the complexity of the current appeals procedure. At present students and schools first petition the board itself. An autonomous figure associated with the board is called in and, if the question is still in dispute, the issue is then referred to the Independent Appeals Authority. A significant number of A-level grades are reassessed at this final stage. The time it takes to go through all these hoops means that students are often left with an undesirable choice. They can accept their initial marks and with it their second choice university. Alternatively, they can endure the bureaucracy but may need to defer entry for a year as a consequence. Since next year they must contribute to suition fees, delay now would have financial consequences.

Two innovations are required. At least one if not two stages of the appeal process could be abolished. The examination boards should also abandon their extreme reluctance to allow schools to see contested scripts. A levels are obviously not public documents. But some cases, head teachers might be less inclined to pursue a protest if they were allowed confidential access to these exam papers. Obsessive confidentiality

does not inspire customer confidence. The boards have every interest in minimising initial error and dealing expeditiously with challenges. Reforms would allow the examiners to return some fire of their own. Noting the rapidly rising number of appeals, the boards suspect that some schools automatically appeal if the mark awarded falls short of that which teachers predicted. They argue that the possibility that the original estimate or the examination

performance, not the assessment, is at fault is rarely given enough weight. In some instances, the examiners surely have a case. But until the appeals procedure is restructured these arguments will not receive much attention. The A level is supposed to be the "gold standard" of this country's education. The Labour Government is not wholly convinced. That is all the more reason, in everyone's interest, to

SHAKESPEARE'S MEAN STREETS

The Bard sets out to get under the skin of sport

A famous skit in Beyond the Fringe had a worthy clergyman say "We must get violence off the streets - and into the Church, where it belongs." Thirty years on, the Royal Shakespeare Company is putting good money into doing just that for the Bard. Nineties lads, the RSC has discovered, are not belying tickets. The idea is to tempt them in by convincing them that there is as much blood and guts in Shakespeare as in the

most violent movie. The RSC scored a hit with a poster for Coriolanus, featuring a blood-soaked Toby Stephens as a "natural born killer" and thoroughly modern yobbo. Now, it is hitting newspaper sports pages with action-man advertisements designed "to relate to men on their own level". Yorick's skull doubles as a football - a theme adapted from a lager advertisement by Carling, sponsor of the FA Premiership. Agincourt becomes an "away game" which was literally a matter of "life and death". Stiffen the sinews, summon up

the blood: all the pitch is a stage. Faced with the RSC's marketing problems, Shakespeare, a ruthlessly commercial playwright who slipped scenes to make the "groundlings" hold their sides into the tautest tragedy, would probably have done the same. The RSC runs some risk of overkill. It is stretching a point to present Hamlet as just another young man with today's problems; he may have come from a broken home, but it had battlements, not to mention a family ghost. As for Henry V, it is hard to

imagine a football coach telling the team, as Henry did when rallying the troops before Harfleur, that "In peace there's nothing so becomes a man/ As modest stillness and humility". And before Lear's madness can glue them to their seats, the lads will have to get past the play's less than trendy opening line "I thought the King had more affected the Duke of Albany than Cornwall."

But Macbeth is as vicious a serial murderer as any on the screen, his wife packs more "girl power" than any Spice, and the blinding of Gloucester is as sickening as any celluloid torture scene. If the campaign persuades art-shy lads to give the plays another shot they will rediscover what many of them once knew in school, that for fast-paced,

tense scripts Shakespeare is unbeaten. The Bard is just right for "new lads" in other ways, too. No qualifications, no job? Blame society, like Caliban: "You taught me language; and my profit on 1/ Is, I know how to curse." A tough business deal? The Merchant of Venice has a trick or two about how to make a contract accident-proof, even if it does skate close to the law. Trouble with girls? Take lessons from The Taming of the Shrew, but then make up with Othello's haunting "I do love thee! and when I love thee not, / Chaos is come again" - and hope that she, unlike you, hasn't seen the play to the end. The RSC's campaign will be a "poor thing" if it stops with action man; there is as much violence in love as in war; and Shakespeare knew this better than Hollywood.

address failings in the system. Llamas on patrol From Mr Paul L. Rose

Sir, Malcolm Smith's article in Weekend (October 11) on the Forestry Com-, mission's report, Foxes and Forestry, highlights the depressing conclusion that the fox population can never be significantly reduced. Yet in its quest for a solution to the problem of predation of lambs and poultry by foxes, the commission's report apparently overlooks one of the most successful meth-,

ods yet devised. In the United States, farmers have found that the inclusion of a gelding llama into their sheep flocks as a guard dramatically reduces losses of stock from predators as varied as foxes, coyotes and even bears. The liama has the advantages of being economic, enjoyable and easy to keep, as

well as being highly effective. In a study conducted by Iowa State University among over 200 farms with serious predation problems, it was found that the inclusion of a llama in the flock reduced losses from an average of 21 per cent to 7 per cent. The main cause of failure, where it occurred, was the very extensive ranges the llama had to protect, a difficulty less likely to be encountered in the

have supplied a llama for this purpose in England, all have reported lamb losses from predation completely eliminated: Yours faithfully. PAUL L ROSE

The Cotswold Llama Farm.

Indeed, of the farmers to whom we

Temple Guiting, Gloucestershire. Sport letters, page 33

CLIVE POSTLETHWAITE



COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 18: The Queen, Patron, the

Leonard Cheshire Foundation. this morning visited the Cheshire dents, supporters and staff.

Her Majesty and The Duke of Edinburgh later attended a Reception at Cottingley (Deputy High Commissioner's residence).

His Royal Highness this morning attended the Chennai and ngalore UK Business Association Reception at Westminster House, Chennai, and sub-sequently visited Hardy Explora-tion and Production Ltd.

The Queen and The Duke of Edinburgh this afternoon left Chennai (Madras) Airport for

Her Majesty and His Royal Highness, attended by the Countess of Airlie, the Lady Elton, the Rt Hon Sir Robert Fellowes, Major General Sir Simon Cooper, Mr Robin Janvrin, Mr Geoffrey Crawford, Surgeon Captain David Swain RN, Air Commodore the Hon Timothy Elworthy, Lieuten ant Commander Toby Williamson RN and Brigadier Miles Hunt-Davis, arrived at Heathrow Alrport, London, this evening from India and were received at the Airport by the Earl of Airlie KT (Lord Chamberlain) and Mrs Linda Hudson (Duty Manager,

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 18: The Princess Royal, Visitor, Strathcarron Hospice, was represented by the Lady Margaret Tennant at the Memorial Servi for Mr Thomas Scott (former Director) which was held in Greyfriars Kirk. Edinburgh, this

CLARENCE HOUSE October IB: Miss Jane Walker-Okcover has succeeded the Hon Mrs Rhodes as Lady in Walting to Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother.

KENSINGTON PALACE October 18: The Princess Margazet, Countess of Snowdon, was present this evening at a Gala Performance of Handel's Messiah at the Banqueting House, White-hall, London SWI, given in aid of Help the Hospices and in thanksgiving for hospice care throughout

KENSINGTON PALACE October 18: The Duke and Duchwere received by The Amir of the

State of Bahrain (Shaikh Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa) and the Prime Minister (Shaikh Khalifa bin Salman Al Khalifa) at Government House, Manama.

Later Their Royal Highnesses visited the Bahrain Red Crescent Society Manama.

The Duke of Gloucester afterwards attended a presentation of the South Hidd Port Project at the Ministry of Works and Agriculture and later visited Shalkh Isa bin Ali House, Muharrag.

The Duchess of Gloucester visited Salmaniya Hospital. Afterwards The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester were enter-

tained to Luncheon by The Crown (Shaikh Hamad bin Isa Al Khalifa) at Wasmiyah Falace, Manama. This afternoon Their Royal Highnesses visited the Bahrain

The Duke of Gloucester later visited the Royal Air Force detachment at Muharraq.

The Duchess of Gloucester vislted the British Council, Manama. This evening Their Royal Highresses were entertained to Dinner by The Amir of the State of Bahrain at Gudaibiya Palace. YORK HOUSE

ST JAMES'S PALACE October 18: The Duke of Kent. Vice Chairman, the British Overseas Trade Board, this afternoon left Heathrow Airport, London, for Seoul, Korea.

Mr Nicolas Adamson is in The Duchess of Kent, Patron. British Telecommunications Voices for Hospices 1997, this evening attended a performance of the Messiah in Southwark Cathe-

THATCHED HOUSE LODGE RICHMOND PARK

drai, London SEI.

October 18: Princess Alexandra, accompanied by the Rt Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy, this morning vis-ited the "Adventure with Waliace and Gromit" exhibition at the Arizona Museum for Youth in Mesa, Phoenix, Arizona, United States of America.

Her Royal Highness and Sir Angus Ogilvy this afternoon toured the Phoenix Central Library and later visited the Zandra Rhodes exhibition, "The Surface and Beyond", in the Phoenix Art Museum, North Central Avenue,

Princess Alexandra and the Rt Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy this evening attended the "Culture Shock" Compas Dinner at the Phoenix Heritage and Science Park.

BUCKINGHAM PALACE October 19: The Duke of York Admiral, Sea Codet Corps, today took the salute at the Sea Cadet Corps Trafalgar Parade, Trafalgar Square, London WC2 KENSINGTON PALACE

October 19: The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester this morning departed the State of Bahrain for the State of Qatar and were received on arrival by Her Majesty's Amhassador to the State of Qatar [His Excellency Mr David Wright].

His Royal Highness was later received and entertained to Lun-cheon by the Amir of the State of Qatar (Shaikh Hamad bin Khalifa Al Thani) at the Amiri Diwan.

Her Royal Highness visited the Shaikh Khalifa Tennis Complex. This afternoon The Duke and Duchess of Gloucester visited the private art gallery of Shalkh Hassan bin Mohammed Al Thani and later visited the British Coun-cil. Doha. Their Royal Highnesses this

evening attended a securior lowed by Dinner given by Her Maiesty's Ambassador and Mrs Wright at the British Embassy. THATCHED HOUSE LODGE RICHMOND FARS

October 19: Princess Alexandra, accompanied by the Rt Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy, this morning at-tended the Annual Memorial Service in honour of those Allied Airmen who lost their lives at Falcon Field during the Second World War and laid a Wreath at Mesa Cemetery, Phoenix, Arizona, United States of America.

Her Royal Highness and Sir Angus Ogilvy later attended a Reception given by the British Consul General and Mrs Merrick Baker-Bates at the Mesa Pavilion Hilton Hotel, Mesa, Phoenix, for members of the British commu and supporters of the UK/AZ Festival. Princess Alexandra and the R

Hon Sir Angus Ogilvy sub-sequently departed Phoenix for Orange County, Southern

Her Royal Highness and Sir Angus Ogilvy this evening attended a Dinner given by the World Affairs Council of Orange County at the Balboa Bay Club, Newport Beach, Orange County.

Birthdays today

Sir James Ackers, former chair-man, West Midlands Regional Health Authority. 62: Sir Colin Barker, former chairman, British Barker, hormer chairman, British Technology Group, 71; Mr Hume Boggis-Rolle, former deputy sec-retary, Lord Chancellor's Office, 86; Sir Edwin Bolland, former diplomat, 75; the Hop Chris Cowdrey, cricketer, 40: Professor Sir Bernard Crossland, FRS. mechanical engineer, 74; Mr Lawrence Daly, trade unionist, 73; Professor Sir Douglas Hague, former chairman, Economic and Social Research Council, 71: the Very Rev James Harkness, former rator of the General Assem bly of the Church of Scotland, 62; Mr Austen Kark, former managing director, BBC External Services, 71: Mr Eddie Macken, showjumper, 48: Judge Deirdre McKinney, 69: Miss Enid Marx, painter and designer, 95: Mr J.G. Milne Home, former Lord-Lieurenant of Dumfries and Galloway, 81; Lord Montagu of Beautieu, 71; Sir Anthony Reeve, diplomat, 59; Mr Ism Rush, footballer, 36: Professor S.B. Saul-former Vice-Chancellor, York University, 73: Sir Alexander Stirling, former diplomat, 71; the Hon Emma Tennam and the Hon Timothy West, actor, 63.

Anniversaries

BIRTHS: Sir Christopher Wren architect and scientist, East Knoyle, Wiltshire. 1632: Henry John Temple, 3rd Viscount Palmerston, Prime Minister 1855-58 and 1859-65, Broadlands, Hampshire, 1784; Colin Campbell, Baron Clyde, field marshal, Glas gow, 1792; Thomas Hughes, au-thor of Your Brown's Schooldays. Uffington, Berkshire, 1822; Odilon Redon, painter, Bordeaux, 1840; Arthur Rimbaud, poet, Charleville, France, 1854.

DEATHS: Jacopo Della Quercia, sculptor, Bologna, IGS: William Wollaston, philosopher, London. 1724: Grace Darling, heroine of the Forfarshire Wreck. Bamborough, Northumberland, 1842; Sir Richard Burton, explorer and scholar Trieste, 1890; James Anthony Froude, historian, Kingsbridge, Devon, 1894; Arthur Henderson, Labour Party leader and states man, Nobel Peace laureate 1934, London, 1935.

King George I was crowned, 1714.

Royal engagements

The Duke of Edinburgh, as Trustee, will attend a meeting of the trustees of the Prince Philip Trust Fund for the Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead at Eton College, Berkshire, at \$.45; and will attend a Royal Charity Gala at the Farrer Theatre, at 8.10.

A Memorial Service for Eric William Hunter Christie will be held in Lincoln's Irm Chapel on Tuesday, November 25, 1997, at 5.00pm.

Nature

service leaves are a bright

cinnamon pink. Rowans, or

mountain ash trees, are al-

most bare and blackbirds are

rapidly eating up the red

berries. A few peacock butter-

flies are still on the wing.

Female garden spiders are

abandoning their webs to lay clusters of eggs in the

Athina Onassis, right, 13-year-old heir to the Onassis shipping fortune, was one of the bridesmaids to Eugenie Livanos, whose marriage to Nicholas Clive-Worms, a banker, was blessed at the Church of St Mary Magdalene, Woodstock, Oxfordshire, on Saturday

Dr Colin Lucas, Vice-Chancellor of AS THE leaves fall, the flocks Oxford University, attended a memorial service for Professor of foraging titmice in the trees become easier to see. Blue tits. Kenneth Allen, former Professor of and long-tailed tits hang up-Nuclear Structure at Oxford side down to get at insects which was held yesunday in the Chapel of Balliol College. The Rev under the twigs. Great tits H.D. Dupree officiated. Mr Keith Wills, Senior Bursar and Fellow of constantly drop down to the ground to feed on the newly fallen beechmast. Coal tits are Magdalen College, read the lesson and Dr Elspeth Garman read from The Prophet by Kahil Gib-ran, Mr Michael Allen, son, paid the noisiest, with their thin, explosive calls: they can be distinguished by their black tribute and Professor A.E. Litherland, FRS, Professor cap and white nape. The tits Emeritus, Toronto University, gave an address. are sometimes joined by goldcrests, nuthatches, or even a late willow warbler still

Among others present were Mrs Allen (widow), Dr Christopher Allen (son), Mrs Michael Allen (daughter-in-law), William, and Philip Allen (grandsons), the Se-nior Pro-Proctor of New College, the lunior Pro-Proctor of Oriel lingering before going back for the winter to Africa. Shorteared owls from the Continent are arriving in salt marshes and lonely pastures along the the Junior Pro-Proctor of Oriel College and the Viceregent, the Vice-Master and other Fellows of Balliol College with many friends eastern side of Britain. Many more trees are changing colour. Field maple leaves are pink and yellow, while the and former colleagues. Deirdre Lady Mounterau heavily veined leaves of dog-wood are a deep purple. Wild

A service of thanksgiving for the life of Deirdre Lady Mountevans will be held on Wednesday. November 12, at 10.30am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Simon Stock, 41 Kensii Church Street, London, W8. Stock, 41 Kensington BUI Christic

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Schools news

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To mark the College's 150th
Anniversary Year in 1998 two
major scholarships are to be awarded. One is open to a Sixth Form boy or girl and the other to a Third Form boy for the duration of their time at Lancing. Examinations for the South Form Scholar-ship will take place in November 1997 and for the Third Form in Spring 1998. The award will take effect from Advent Term 1998. Old Etapian Association The Old Etonian Association will

be publishing a new edition of the Last of Members at the end of the year. Members who have not heard from the OEA lately, or who have changed their addresses, are invited to send details, before October 31, 1997, to the Clerk, Old Empian Association, Eton College Windsor, SLA 6DB. Fax: 01753 671183.

Sternberg Centre for Judaism The Ambassador of Israel was the

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Forthcoming marriages

Mr R.E.B. Barnett and Miss K.T. Woodroffe The engagement is announced between Raymond, elder son of Mr and Mrs Ray Barnett, of Hampton in Arden, and Kare, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs John Woodroffe, of Rochampton, London. Mr N.J.A. Chapman

and Miss K.G.R. de Robeck The engagement is announced fetween Nicholas, second son of Mr and Mrs Andrew Chapman, of Langford, Bedfordshire, and Gundla, elder daughter of Caroline, Baroness de Robeck, of Nass, Co Kildare, Ireland and the late Martin, 7th Baron de Robeck. Mr R. Wyatt

and Miss C.L. Connell The engagement is announced between Robert son of Mr Wesley Wyart, of Fitzhead, Somerset, and Mrs. Evelyn Mary Wyan, of Croford, Somerset, and Clare, younger daughter of Mr and Mrs Robert Connell, of Bampton,

Marriages

Mr S.H.R. Lohbook

The marriage took place on Saturday, October II, at Sr Mary's Church, Steeple Sumpstead, between Mr Stephen Henry Ralph Lubbock, son of Mr John Lubbock and Mrs Ann Powell, and Miss Melissa Caroline Yates, eldest daughter of Mr and Mrs Ian Yates. The Rev Gordon Mansfield

The bride who was given in marriage by her father, was attended by Miss Annabel Yates and Miss Elizabeth Lubbock Mr Daniel Ramsley was best man. The honeymoon is being spent

Mr A.E.M. Stratt and Miss L.J. Towler

The matriage took place on Sat-urday, October 18, at the Church of St Laurence, Brundall, Norfolk, o Mr Andrew Stratton, to Miss Lucy

A reception was held at Witton Old Rectory. Norwich, and the honeymoon will be spent abroad.

Dinners Old Gakhantian Club

Mr Anthony Little, Headmaster of Oekham School, was the guest of honour at the annual dinner of the Old Calchamian Club held on Satuday at the school. Mrs Jane Sly, president, was in the chair. Theydon Bols Golf Club Mr Pat Davies, Captain of

Theydon Bois Golf Club, presided at the centionary dinner held on Saturday evening at Guildhall. Sir Francis McWilliams, Mr Alex Hay and Mr Graham Cass also spoke.

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COOKE - Patricia Peacefully in 18th October in Triangle Royal Hospitat. Wile of Royal Hospitat. Wile of Donald and mother of Simon. Will be sadly missed by all who knaw her. Funeral Service 2:30 pm Pridsy 24th of October at Harpery Fudsh, Church. Commattral private. He florest be for the Commattral private. He for the Commattral private and the Commattral Private and Command Private. He for the Command Private and Command Private

COULTON - Patricia Mary (new loyat) died pencefully at local sites a terr timess, on October 17th 1997. The lowing and much loved wife of Brian, nother of Angels, Michael and Gay, grandmother of Isobelle, Phoobe, Laura and Lames. Phoebe, Leura and James, and sister of Geoffrey, Memorial tervice at St John the Suptist Church, Little Mariow, Bucks on Monda October 27th at 11 30am Family flowers only please Family flowers only phote, donations to NSFCC cfo and read, Londwitz, High Wycombe, Smill, of 10 97B (01494) 472572.

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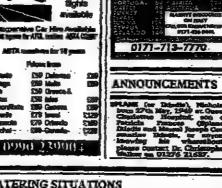
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ROBERTO C. GOIZUETA

Roberto C. Goizucta. chairman and chief executive of the Coca-Cola Company since 1981, died in Atlanta from lung cancer on October 18 aged 65. He was born in Havana, Cuba, on November 18, 1931

ca-Cola is not so much a fizzy drink more a way of life or so its advertising campaigns would have us believe. It was certainly that for Roberto Goizueta. He devoted almost the whole of his 43-year career to its sale and manufacture, and in his 16 years as head of the Coca-Cola-Company ensured that "the Real Thing" saw off all its rivals in the fiercely competitive "cola wars".

His 1981 appointment as chairman and chief executive was a surprise to many observers, but he proved ideally suited to the post. A Cuban refugee from Castro's communism, he was energetic in promoting the American dream of which Coca-Cola, thanks to brilliant marketing, had become an essential part. The company he took over was hidebound, disorganised and in danger of losing its way. With a mixture of ruthlessness and inspiration, he reasserted its supremacy in the global market, pushing corporate profits to new heights and in the process becoming hugely wealthy on his own account.

The son of a prosperous Cuban family with interests in the sugar industry. Roberto Crispulo Goizueta was educated at a Jesuit college in Havana, a private preparatory school in Connecticut; and at Yale, where he read chemical engineering from 1948 to 1953. Back in Cuba he worked briefly for the family business, before joining the Coca-Cola Co in Havana as technical director in 1954.

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He remained there until 1960 when, in the aftermath of Fidel Castro's communist revolution, he left to take up a job with Coca-Cola in Nassau. Leaving his family wealth behind, he settled permanently in the US in 1961, arriving in Miami with \$40 in cash and 100 Coca-Cola shares (which)

would now be worth some \$3 million). Losing everything he later said, had helped him to develop self-assurance.

At Coca-Cola, his rise through the ranks was steady but unspectacular. In 1964 he moved to the company headquarters in Atlanta and went on to hold a succession of unglamorous posts in re-search and development and corporate affairs before being appointed, ahead of several more high-profile rivals, to succeed J. Paul Austin as chief executive in 1981. Largely unknown outside the company, he owed his appointment to the patronage of Coca-Cola's eminence grise, the 90-yearold former chairman Robert Woodmiff.

Once in post, Goizueta set about transforming the mori-bund company, which had seen its stock price steadily slump as its energetic rival PepsiCo gained ever more ground at Coca-Cola's expense. Where Austin had been a reserved, retiring figure, shunning publicity and prosiding over a corporate culture that was conservative to the point of complacency, the new chairman took an altogether

more dynamic approach. He sold off unprofitable parts of the Coca-Cola empire, developed new products, rethought the brand image, ruthlessly streamlined botthing and distribution, and pushed into emerging markets such as India, China and Eastern Europe. He even bought Columbia Pictures (past its prime) for \$700 miltion in 1982, selling it for more. than \$1.5 billion to Sony some seven years later. His tactics saw his company's market value, rise from less than \$5 billion in 1981 to almost \$150 billion this year.

The development of new products was perhaps his most startling — almost shocking — innovation. His predecessors had long felt that any expansion of the company's range of soft drinks would weaken the appeal of its artfully branded and instantly recognisable core product. With the successful introduction of Diet Coke in 1982, Goizueta showed that this



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lines, among them the sports drink PowerAde, a fruit tea and "new age" brands such as Aquarius and Fruitopia, have

since been added to the range. In 1985, however, Goizueta's passion for innovation got the better of him, prompting one of the most spectacular miscalculations in the history of marketing. In response to increased competition from the sweeter Pepsi brand, he tinkered with the sacred. secret Coca-Cola formula and, amid massive publicity, introduced "New Coke". The public

loathed it, and there was a huge drop in sales before the original recipe was reintroduced as "Classic Coke" after only three months.

Goizueta was fond of quoting the motto of another energetic American entrepreneur. Dr Scholl: "Early to bed. early to rise, work like hell and advertise." Advertising was something he understood particularly well. After all, Coke's status as "the Real Thing" had always owed more to miracles of packaging and promotion than to the legendary uniqueness of its chemical composi-

For decades Coca-Cola's marketing drive had been dedicated to selling the brand as a worldwide symbol of capitalism at its most benign: the American way of life in a distinctive contoured bottle. International advertising strategy was the responsibility of a single US agency, who produced global campaigns on the principle of "one-sight, one sound, one-sell".

Olga (Olguita), whom he mar-For Goizueta such tactics ried in 1953, and by two sons were no longer enough in an and a daughter.

ADIL ÇARÇANI

Adil Çarçani, Albanian Communist leader died in Tirana on October 13 aged 75. He was born on May 4, 1922.

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Coca-Cola began to tailor its

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His efforts brought him

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Forbes magazine recently put

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He had recently created the

charitable Goizueta Founda-

tion, which supported various

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He is survived by his wife

in different markets.

ADIL ÇARÇANÎ was the last Communist Prime Minister of Albania, and a loyal and conscientious servant of the one-party state constructed by Enver Hoxha and his associates after the liberation of Albania from the Axis in 1944. For nearly fifty years he held high offices in Tirana, in a career built on his own participation in the Partisan resistance in southern Albania, where he grew up. He was one of the genera

response, with Coca-Cola spending £4 million on UK advertising in the run-up to tion of young southern Tosks who flocked to the Albanian Christmas 1994. Major sport-Party of Labour, the Commuing events, from English footnist party, in 1943-44, on the bail's Coca-Cola Cup to the strength of the achievements 1996 Olympic Games in Atlanof the resistance, and his ta, bolstered the company's loyalty to the ideals of his youth never wavered. In 16 years Goizueta took After the war, he underwent Coca-Cola's sales and earn-

some technical training in Russia, and became part of the generation of technocrats who hall their careers on the close link with the Soviet Union and the construction of the great hydroelectric dams in northem Albania, which brought electrification to the hitherto medieval conditions of the country. He was also involved in the development of the mining and extractive industries, presiding over developments based on the widespread use of forced and prison labour and appalling human rights violations.

him 120th in its annual list of By 1956 he was Minister of wealthy Americans, estimating his fortune at \$1.3 billion. Industry and Mines. The development of the pyrite mine at Under his direction, the Coca-Cola Co committed some Spac was a notorious example, \$50 million over a decade to where prisoners were often worked to death on the exeducational projects through the Coca-Cola Foundation. posed terraces of a northern Goizueta himself was active in Albanian mountain. In many his local Atlanta community, ways, this was the height of where he was a member of the his career, and at that time he boards of the Atlanta Symphowas widely seen, aged only 34, as a possible successor to ny Orchestra and of Emory Hoxha himself. University, which renamed its

> fulfilled in the conditions he might have envisaged. Carcani did not belong to the inner circle of senior ex-Partisans around Hoxha, and his main political base was outside the Politburo. He had little knowledge of foreign affairs or defence. His

This promise was never

progress to the top slowed as the political zigzags of the regime began to defy any economic rationality, even within the communist framework, and his identity as a pro-Moscow technocrat became a handicap.

Although as deputy chairman of the Council of Ministers he presided over the turn from Russia to China after 1960-61, became deputy Prime Minister in 1964, and signed the main trade agreements in



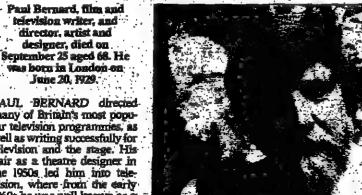
Beijing in 1975, he was associated with economic stagnation and relative decline in these years. The pro-Soviet period had produced high economic growth rates for the country, if at an appalling human cost, but these were never subsequently repeated.

The break with China in 1976-78 was a further setback, and produced more stagnation. Carcani remained at the too, becoming Prime Minister in 1982, and closely associated with the efforts of the party boss Ramiz Alia to modernise Albania while keeping the one-party state intact after Hoxha's death in 1985. But it was a hopeless task which collapsed in ruins with the overthrow of communism in 1990-92. In 1994 Carcani received a five-year suspended iail sentence from the new Government of Dr Sali Berisha.

Married with two daughters, he was in private life a relatively approachable and informal man, compared with most other Albanian Communist leaders. A favourite recreation was spending time at his villa on the coastal beach south of Durress.

need not be so. Other new

PAUL BERNARD



PAUL BERNARD directed many of Britain's most popular television programmes, as well as writing successfully for television and the stage. His flair as a theatre designer in the 1950s led him into television, where from the early IGACs he was well known as a reliable but innovative director. Bernard was born into a family of staunch supporters

designer, died on

June 20, 1929.

of the Independent Labour Party, of which his grandfather, George Patterson Rose, had been one of the founder members. A sensitive head teacher recognised his pupil's artistic talent, and Bernard was plucked from elementary education to train at Ealing School of Art, where he studied painting and illustration, intent upon a career as a film production designer. After training under Ber-

nard Robinson at Worton Hall Studios on the film Shop at . Sly Corner, he worked at Pinewood, Shepperton and MGM Studios. This progress. was interrupted by National Service, and when he returned to civilian life his mentor, the Oscar-winner Alfred Junge, advised him that the British film industry was in so poor a state that he should turn to the theatre.

This he did, and for six years he worked with reper-

country, with a brief return to MGM to work on the Gene Kelly production of Invitation.

In 1958 Bernard was invited to join Granada Television as a designer. Among those he worked with as his career. blossomed were Jeremy Isaacs, Harold Evans and Michael Parkinson. In due course Bernard was sufficiently highly regarded to go freelance, and he worked in all kinds of television, notably on The Avengers and Arm-

chair Theatre. In 1964 the BBC invited him to train as a television director. He began by directing some episodes of Z Cars live television with film inserts, in

Stratford Johns, Jeremy Kemp, James Ellis and Frank Windsor:

A move to ATV widened his experience enormously. As well as single plays, he directed many episiodes of Emergency Ward Ten, and with John Cooper launched Honey Lane, a series about a London street market which was shot where EastEnders is made today.

In the light entertainment

field, under Jon Scoffield, he directed a number of spectaculars of the This is Tom Jones kind, for broadcast in America as well as Britain. He worked also on documentaries, notably on Stand Up and Be Counted, the programme the series that established the about disability which martory theatres up and down the : reputations of Brian Blessed, ked the introduction of the abled Bill by Alf Morris. MP. He also worked on an early consumer programme, What We Need is More Red Tape, fronted by Bernard Levin. During all this time he made regular returns to the theatre. designing at the Arts, the Savoy and the Mayfair in

In 1973, long before Channel 4 made it fashionable, he formed his own production company, making industrial and training films, speculative musical programmes, and cinema films from his own original screenplays. These included The Contract, starring Ken Farrington, whom he had met while directing Coronation Street. He also directed Jon Pertwee in Dr Who, and his expertise in special effects resulted in his being asked to launch The Tomorrow People at Tharnes Television.

In 1983 he was in at the start of TV-am, where he directed the popular children's programme Rub-a-Dub-Tub. In subsequent returns to the theatre, he directed his own adaptation of Hazlitt's Liber Amoris at the Edinburgh Festival and on tour. His own play. Who Are You Anyway? was produced at the Duke's

Playhouse in Lancaster. Paul Bernard continued to paint throughout his career. He began exhibiting his work in Manchester in 1960 while at Granada Television, and more than 30 one-man exhibitions have followed.

He leaves a widow, Carole, and a daughter. Both work in television.

GOOTTEV DRVIS. CBL manuscripts scholar and archivist died on September 27 aged 80. He was born on April 22, 1917

GODFREY DAVIS was one of the country's most distinguished postwar archivists. He brought to his career in the field of manuscripts not only a formidable intellectual power and academic rigour but also. from his wartime experience, a commitment to public SETVICE.

Godfrey Rupert Carless Davis was the second son of H. W. C. Davis (1874-1928), Regius Professor of Modern History at Oxford, who had been editor of the Dictionary of National Biography in succession to Sir Sidney Lee. It was this tradition of providing scholarly reference tools that Godfrey was to follow. What might have been a typical north Oxford childhood, however, was shattered by the early death of his father when Godfrey was 11 years old.

Godfrey Davis went to Highgate School, and then followed his father to Balliol College, Oxford, where the organ scholar Edward Heath became a friend (and later godfather to Davis's son John). After a first degree and a graduate scholarship, he served during the war in the Devon Regiment and the Intelligence Corps, rising to the rank of captain. He would later recall an attempt to burn secret records in advance of the expected German occupation of Alexandria, only to see many of them float serenely

GODFREY DAVIS

upwards and towards enemy

in the difficult postdemobilisation job market, Davis found himself a place in the British Museum's department of manuscripts in 1947. It turned out to be well suited to his talents and inclinations, providing a framework of time-honoured conventions but also opportunities for specialisation.

He contributed extensively to successive volumes of the Department's Catalogue of Additions to the Manuscripts, but he will be remembered more for his Medieval Cartularies of Great Britain (1958). A major project, and still the standard work of reference. this was linked closely to his official work but also involved

much personal research and more than 5,000 miles of travel to inspect monastic volumes in local and private collections. His experience of these repositories and their sometimes eccentric custodians was to stand him in good stead later, as was the challenge of finding a way of designing the volume so as to present complex information learly but concisely.

Davis was deputy keeper in the manuscripts department from 1961 to 1972, when he became secretary of the Royal Commission on Historical Manuscripts. There he succeeded Roger Ellis, under whose guidance the commission had enjoyed unprecedented growth, with the expansion of the National Register of

initiatives and new calls upon it for advice. This growth continued under Davis, notably with the launch in 1982 of the Guides to Sources for British History, now the commission's leading series of publications. Davis also undertook a

Archives, new publications

thorough, systematic re-evaluation of the commission's objectives, and a thorough overhaul of its methods and working practices. Not all his colleagues were convinced by all he did, and there were casualties along the way, but he implemented his policies with firmness and integrity. Godfrey Davis belonged to

an age before political correctness, when colleagues could be addressed by their sur-names, and the attire of female members of staff might receive adverse comment. He did not gladly suffer vanity, pretension or muddled thinking, but beneath a reserved exterior he was a man of warm feeling. A devoted family man himself. he took a personal interest in colleagues and their families.

He served on many bodies. notably as honorary treasurer of the Royal Historical Society from 1967 to 1974. He was elected a Fellow of the Society of Antiquaries in 1974, and was appointed CBE shortly before his retirement in 1982. His later years were marked above all by the characteristic fortitude with which he coped first with the effects of a stroke, and then with the loss of his wife. Betty, whom he had married in 1942. He is survived by his son

and two daughters.

Church news

Provost of Derby -Canon Michael Perham. Vice-Dean of Norwich Cathedral, has been appointed Provost of Derby

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Other appointments Rev Roger Balkwill, Vicar, Albrighton, and Rural Dean of Shifnal (Lichfield): to be also Priest in Charge of Boningale (same diocese)

Rev Tom Bodkin, Team Vicar, Aldrington St Leonard (Chichesterit to be Priest-in-Charge. Bishopstone (same diocese). Re- Denis Brazell formerly Vicar: Reading St Agnes w St Paul (Oxford) to be Chaplain, Whitehill Chase. The Acoen Healing Trust

Rev Michael Carldy, Team Rector, Shirley St. James the Great (Birmingham): to be also Dean of

Shirley, Rev Christopher Channer, Chap-lain, Holmewood House School, Tunbridge Wells (Rochester): 10 bc Team Rector, Lewes (Chichester).

Rev Paul Collier, Assistant Curate, East Dulwich St John (Southwark): to be Minister, Bermondsey St Hugh Charterhouse Mission ntional District, and Manager, Charterhouse Befriending Scheme (same diocese)

Rev Robert Cooper, furmerly Assistant Priest, Leeds Richmond Hill (Ripon): to be Chaptain, Chigwell School (Chelmsford). Rev Brian Cox, Assistant curate, Southampton Maybush (Winchester): to be Priest-in-Charge, Knights Enham St Michael and

All Angels (same diocese). Rev Reginald Dakin, formerly Rector, Littleton (London): to be Chaplain, Sliema Holy Trinity (Malta & Gozo). Rev Dr John Davey, permission to

officiate (Chichester): to be Priest-in Charge, Amberleyw North Stoke and Parham, Wiggonholi and Greatham (same diocese). Rev Graham Dear, Vicar, Startforth and Bowes and Rokeby w Brignall (Ripon): to be Chaplain, HMP Garth (Blackburn).

Rev Bryan Dixon, Assistant Curate, Beverley Minster (York): to be Assist Chaplain. HMP Durbam. Rev Anthony Douglas, Team Rector, Great and Little Coates w Bradley (Lincoln): to be Team Rector, East Ham w Upton Park

(Chelmsford) Rev Struan Dunn, Rector, Meopharn and Nurstead (Rochester): to be also Non-Residentiary Canon (Honorary) of Rochester

Rev Joy Harterink, lecturer, Richmond-upon-Thames College (London): to be also Chaplain. Richmond-upon-Thames College. Rev Dr Philip Hesketh, Curate, Bearsted w Thurnham (Canterburyl: to be Vicar, Chatham St Stephen (Rochester).

Rev Judith Howes, Team Vicar, East Darlington (Durham): to be Team Rector of the benefice. Rev Tom Hurcombe, permiss to officiate (Southwark): to be Assistant Curate, Charlton St Luke w Holy Trinity and St Richard

Rev David Parry, Curate, Withywood (Bristol): to be Priestin-Charge, Litherland St Philip

(Liverpool). The Rev Adrian Russell, Rector, St Kessog, Auchterarder and St James Kuthill (St Andrews): to be Priest-in-Charge, Kenton Ascen-sion (Newcastle). The Rev William Scott, Vicar,

urne Street St Mary, and Priestin-Charge, Pimlico St Barnabas (London); to be also Area Dean of Westminster (St Margaret's) (same Rey Richard Seabrook, Assistant Curate. Hawley Holy Trinity (Guildford): to be Vicar, Hockley St Peter and St Paul (Cheimsford)

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The Rev Philip Tait, Chaplain and
Head of Religious Studies,
Berkhamsted Collegiate School (St
Albans): to be Priest-in-Charge,
Woodhorn and Newbiggin Newcastle). The Rev Brian Young, Viear, Alderley Edge, and Rural Dean of Knutsford (Chester): to be also an Hon Canon of Chester Cathedral.

PROVINCIAL FRANCE (From our Special Correspondent)

On the left bank of the Rhône, not far from the Guillotière Quarter and at the junction of two very dingy streets, stand a pair of large iron gates, giving entrance to a domed building known as the Rotonde, Here are held in times of peace, balls, promenade concerts, and velocipede races, and hither in times of political excitement do turbulent spirits resort to hold public meetings and discuss what they call "the situation".

The day before yesterday red posters, signed by Richard and other members of the "Red" Committee were placarded, inviting the people to meet at the Rotonde. Subject of discussion, in large letters Ld Situation Actuelle.

The night after my arrival in Lyon I went to the Rotonde in the hopes of finding a meeting going on, but was disappointed, and I should have been present at the last assembly had not the experience which I recounted in a former letter warned me against any such attempt. am obliged to rely, therefore, upon the information of a perfecily trustworthy person for an account of what passed. It seems that en Saigne has become demoralised, and declines to come forward any more in his capacity of public agitator, so M Richard, a

ON THIS DAY

October 20, 1870 **维烈的政治**

The end of the Franco-Prussian War came in January 1871 with the capitulation of the French. The scenes described in this article seem far removed from the heat of the battle.

young man of nine and twenty, represents the faction. He is said to have been a secret police agent under the Imperial Government; but it is to be observed that whenever either political party want to discredit a public man they always accuse him either of having been a secret police agent, or of being now in the pay of the Prussian Government. M Richard has both these crimes laid to his charge.

Surrounded by half a dozen of his fellow committee men and standing beneath the waving folds of a red flag, he addressed an audience of not more than 300 or 400 of whom about one third were women of the type probably known here as Libres Penseuses The proceedings were opened by a violent speech from the youthful agitator, urging the adop-tion of strong means to carry their point.

He was followed by a practical citizen, who proposed, tout bonnement, that all the old sergents de ville still employed as police should be shot. Then came a Zouave in full uniform, who said that the General under whom he had been serving at Montpellier, as well as General Mazure, ought both to be shot, Feeling that his real duty lay not in serving an incompetent General in Montpellier, but in advancing to meet the enemy, he and a comrade had determined thus to advance, but upon arriving here they found to their surprise that they were both arrested. This our Zouave thought an interference with his liberty and he urged upon the meeting the propriety of shooting the officer who had ordered his arrest as well as those who had effected it.

The President then read a list, which by the way, has been published in all the local papers, of the names and addresses in Lyons of all the persons employed by the late Government as secret police agents or mouchards.

The publication of this interesting document found among the police archives has, as may be imagined, caused the instantaneous stampede of all the parties inculpated.

THE TIMES TODAY

NEWS

Brown tries to assure markets

■ Gordon Brown tried to calm the markets after he provoked a chorus of criticism for indicating that Britain would not join the European single currency in the lifetime of this Parliament.

As ministers braced themselves for a big fall in share prices today, the Chancellor made clear he would not be "bounced" into an early decision. In an interview with The Times on Saturday he gave his strongest indication that Britain would not sign up to the euro this side of a general election Pages 1, 48

Cambridge to take in more state pupils

Cambridge University is to increase by a third the number of students it recruits from state schools in an attempt to ward off a government threat to college fees. Tuturs endorsed plans to take two out of three undergraduates from the state system.

Gypsy invasion

The arrival of more than 180 East European gypsises in Dover is forcing officials to hold urgent talks to try and stem the flow of the asylum seekers Pages 1. 3

Savings shake-up

A revolution in the taxation of savings is being planned by Gordon Brown and Treasury officials who want to sweep away the jungle of differing rates andPage 2

Chase ends in death A sixth-form pupil at Malvern

College was killed at the wheel of his car after he crashed into the school gates during a high-speed police chase.... ...Page 3

Blood and guts

The Royal Shakespeare Company is playing up the bloodier and more laddish elements of the Bard's work in the hope of persuading young men to swap the drama of the soccer stadium for live action on stage............Page 3

Gambling itch An inquiry into match-fixing un-

dertaken after the Grobbelaar trial has found that footballers routinely gamble on matches in breach of rules Page 5

Barbaric hunters

The Humane Society has found that Eskimos, Inuits and other Arctic tribes are killing more whales than they need and their method is barbaric..... Page 6

Pupils to sue

Students are threatening to sue exam boards over delays in remarking disputed A-level papers after a record number of appeals this summer..... Page 7

BBC's secret role

The BBC collaborated with the Government to collate and transmit propaganda to Eastern Europe during the Cold War. The extent of its role in espionage is revealed in a new book.....Page 8

Mandela hits out

In an emotional outburst, President Mandela accused Washington of arrogance for criticising his planned visit to Libya. He said it showed that "contempt for blacks is still deep-seated".......... Page II

Nun's honour St Therese of Lisieux, the Carmelite nun who inspired Mother Te-

She is only the third woman to be given the honour Page 12 Cost of opt out Tony Blair's effort to shape the European Union is likely to be undermined if the Government has no plans to join the euro for at

resa of Calcutta, was named as a

Doctor of the Church by the Pope.

least five years Page 13 Spy's case

A decorated covert CIA agent is suing the intelligence agency, claiming he is being forced out over a fictitious charge of an affair with a Russian Page 14

Dome to show off Princess' style

A dazzling collection of evening dresses worn by Diana. Princess of Wales, is being considered for display at the Millennium Dome. The exhibition would raise money for charities and causes associated with the Princess. It is expected that visitors to the dome would be asked to make a charitable donation on top of the admission cost ...



Sea Cadet Corps members shield their faces from the sun at Trafalgar Square after a parade to mark Admiral Lord Nelson's victory

Chip in: Hyundai, the Korean group, is set to double the size of its £1.3 billion investment in a silicon chip maker in Fife Page 48

Hotellar appeals: Robert Feld, the former Resort Hotels managing director jailed for eight years for fraud in April, is set to appeal against the length of his .. Page 48

Breeding bettle: Genus, Britain's largest cattle-breeding firm, is attempting to fend off an unwelcome takeover offer from Alchemy, the venture capital group Page 46 Female power. Wall Street, one of America's last bastions of male chauvinism, has been shattered by a survey showing that women make better professional investors than menPage 45

SPORT

Footbail: Tottenham Hotsput eased the pressure on manager Gerry Francis with a 3-2 win over Sheffield Wednesday Page 25 Goth Joakim Haeggman, of Sweden, equalled the world record by completing the first nine holes in 27 strokes at St Andrews ___ Page 27 Rugby union: Michael Lynagh kicked Saracens to victory against the champions. Wasps, in the Allied Dunbar Premiership metch at Loftus Road... Cricket: Australia's crowded schedule helped to persuade Shane Warne to reject offers from English

Athletics: Marian Sutton, from

Cornwall, retained her Chicago

Marathon title despite a

nosebleed.

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Past times: "The historical novel has become thought of as a genre for which only the second-rate need apply" - Melvyn Bragg on the relationship between fiction and Page 18 Set piece: Janet Suzman has relo-

cated Brecht's good woman from Sichuan to South Africa, but the play's faults remain at the West Yorkshire Playhouse........Page 18 Browned off: A new play tackles the fate of the first Asian footballer

to make the Premier League, as part of the sport's "Kick it Out" anti-racism campaign Page 18 Stepping out: David Bintley has created an all-Balanchine bill for Birmingham Royal Ballet that gloriously reinforces the US choreo-

TOMORROW

IN THE TIMES

ARTS

Richard Cork is

stunned by the

new Guggenheim

Museum in Bilbao

— both inside and out

Leave those schools

alone: the dangers

of suing educators

WHITE THE PARTY OF Digital parasites: Scientists have devised an anti-viral programme that spreads more quickly than grapher's greatness Page 19 computer viruses Page 15

THE PARTY OF So Tony Blair has decided he needs to hold on to the pound, at least until 2002. He is wise to set a firm date, to avoid the continual and lacerating debate which disfigured the Major Administration - La Repubblica, Rome

Tradition, tradition: The Upper

House is planning to simplify its

introduction ceremony to enable 57

peers to take their seats by Christ-

mas. So what can these new barons

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Significant event: Johanna Wood

was 40, had four children already

- and certainly did not want to be

pregnant again.....Page 16

Star player. After a life of drink.

women and football, George Best is

now importing wine from Italy that

will bear his name. Bill Frost

4, 9, 25, 28, 32 46, Bogus 47.

Four share the £8.5 million jackpot. receiving £2.140.253 each. Fifteen win £175,610 each for five balls and bonus, 878 win £1,875 for five numbers, while 53,338 matched four to win £67 each, 1,029,691 matched three balls to win £10

Preview: New series on how famous artworks were created in Making Masterpieces (BBC2, 7.30pm) Review: Matthew Bond finds Jim Davidson's Generation Game & little tedious Page 47

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ins and outs

Now that Mr Blair has decided to stay out of EMU for the next five years, he must make clear to Herr Kohl and other European leaders that he will have no qualms about using the veto on EU policy-making to protect Britain's national ...Page 21 interests

Off the mark

A-level examination boards have every interest in a streamlined procedure that minimises initial error and deals swiftly with chal-...Page 21

Shakespeare's streets Macheth is as vicious a serial murderer as any on screen, his wife packs more "girl power" than any Spice, and the blinding of Gloucester is as sickening as any celluloid torture scene. The Bard is right. for "new lads" in other ways, Page 21

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In the United States there is now a. moral battle between those who believed in Christian rules of conduct and those who follow the new

PETER RIDDELL

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By-elections are among the most important, yet often misunderstood, aspects of .نب Page 20 politics ...

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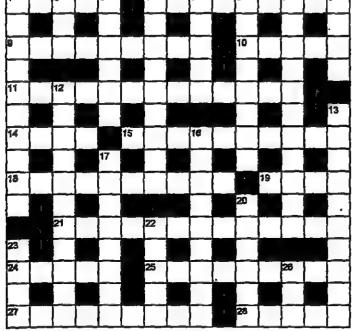
OBITUARIES

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INTERS .

Voting systems; homicide law; Carey's approach to worship; global warming ...

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- players! (5).
 4 Stoneworker pursued victim to
- 4 Vessel requiring a must to be at sea (9).
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- 11 Post Office issue demanding instant insurance (5-3.5). 14 Single doctor nursing a foot (4).
- 15 Spin brief tale about liaisons nitially apt to be strained (10). 18 Obstacles husband runs into dur-
- ing social events (10). 19 Conspiracy thought up by writer
- 21 He makes rapid progress as a drug dealer (5.8).
- 24 Sent back a time and a place for contests (5).
- 25 Weed found in enclosed land by English lake (9).
 - The solution of Saturday's Prize Puzzle No 20,614 will appear
 - next Saturday. The five winners will each receive a £20 book token.

- 27 Formidable woman? One flourished in the war once (6-3). 25 Long explanation originally required in rambling story (5).
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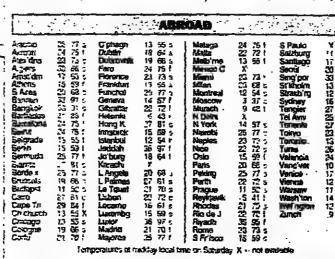
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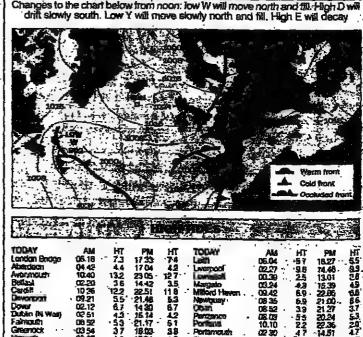
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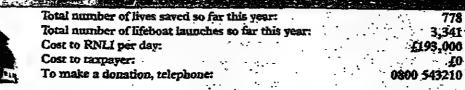


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FIRST-HALF DISPLAY BRINGS RELIEF AS

Spurs hang on to survive endurance test

YOU might say that a moment of machismo could have cost Tottenham Hotspur this desperately needed victory. After 2 minutes, when they some what surprisingly led Shef-field Wednesday 3-0, Ramon Vega, Tottenham's Switzerland defender, of Spanish descent, had the ball out on the right of his own area with every opportunity to make a clearance. It appeared to be beneath his dignity. Instead of booting the ball away, he dallied and lost it, enabling Benito Carbone and Lee Briscoe to work it across the box and it was bundled into the goal by the Wednesday substitute, Wayne Collins. That was the moment when

Wednesday, at last, began to scent the possibility of saving. this FA Carting Premiership match, which had seemed lost. arrived in the 85th minute. came bang on top of a narrow

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Sinton crossed from the left, enn, a very lively substitute for Dominguez, got in a closerange header, but Pressman, who had disgraced himself on the first Tottenham goal, made some kind of amends with a fine point-blank save.

Straight down to the other end went Wednesday. Pem-bridge, who had been switched into a more attacking role on the left flank, in the second half, carried the ball on and might have been expected to shoot. Instead, he put over an accurate low cross that Di Canio brought down and drove right-footed between Walker and his near post - something, alas, which seems to keep happening to poor Walker, whether here or

Wednesday, though full of belief now, ran out of ammunition and Tottenham clung on for their first victory in seven games. The relief around White Hart Lane was tangible. As Ginola, Tottenham's French international, who was gloriously effective in what is surely his true position in attacking midfield, said: The first one was very important, the one from José Dominguezi, because we needed to come quickly in the game, and that's what we

That goal came after only six minutes. The tiny Portuguese winger came in from the right, attacked the defence and shot with his left foot. Somehow, Pressman, the Wednesday goalkeeper, who seemed to have the shot well covered, allowed the ball to squirm out of his grip and go under his body into the net.



By Brian Glanville

Dominguez, however, had havely another quarter of an hoor to enjoy his success. He went off injured and was replaced by Fenn, not remote his contribution turned out to be a large one. He fought for excellent pass that sent Spurs

away to score their third goal. Tottenham's second goal came in the 39th minute, only moments after they had squandered a far more clearcut opportunity. When Camp-

United's pride Passing the buck.

bell's ball beat the Wednesday offside trap, Armstrong was clean through. In the event, he was not hast enough and

Trick, however, was about to smile on Spurs and Armstrong, and Campbell played a part in it again. He succes ed in forcing down Ginola's corner, although his boot appeared to be dangerously high. The ball reached Armstrong and he hooked the ball



Francis: delighted

element of doubt in their second goal. There was a foot very high. I thought our players lost a bit of heart at that stage."

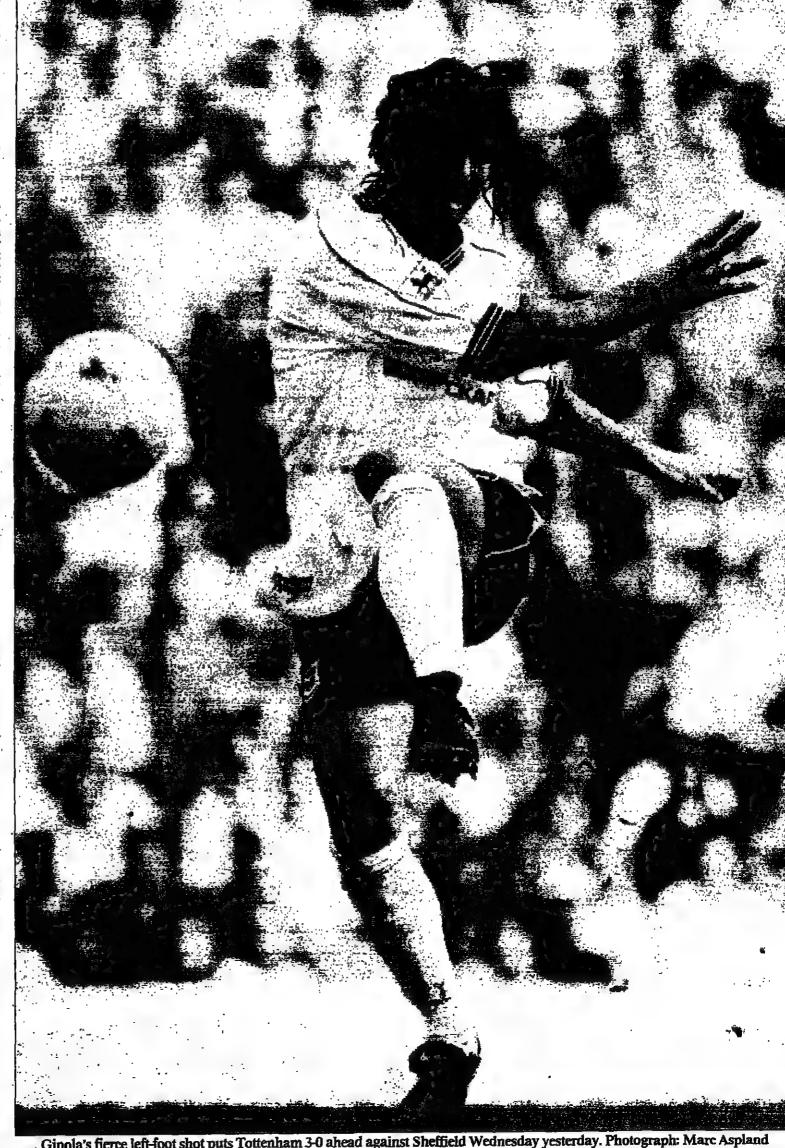
Ginola, particularly in the first half, was emphatically the star of the show. There is no doubt about his latent talents and, in this game, they were coruscatingly on show. He was the inspiration and the final executioner by scoring Tottenham's third goal Taking Fenn's pass, he roared away down the right and crossed to Armstrong. When the ball broke back to him again, he struck a fierce. curving left-foot shot. Tottenham were 3-0 ahead and there was little evidence of the nailbiting drama to come.

the thousand natural shocks of the late second half, though, it was a happier day for Gerry Francis, the Tottenham manager, back on the bench after missing the home defeat by Derby County in the Coca-Cola Cup last Wednesday night because he had injured his back playing with his

away at times in the second. half," he said. "It was very much a Jekyll-and-Hyde per formance by us. Obviously I was delighted by the win. It was very important to us today; it would have been nice. to win 3-11 I thought the supporters today were tremendous. It's a good club, I'm proud to be the manager, but what it needs is success. We've got to keep performing like the first half, not the second, and if

we do, they'd back us." The nervous Spurs supporters found something to cheer. in the final minutes when Darren Anderton, at last, found his way out of the Tottenham treatment-room to make his first appearance of the season in place of the gallant Fenn. It was a positive move by Francis and seemed to give heart to the rest of the Tottenham team.

In fact, they could have scored again, at the death. Ginola's left-wing corner was returned by Fox. Armstrong tried an acrobatic attempt at goal but Nolan headed the ball out from under the bar. TOTTENHAM HOTSPUR (3-5-2): I We



Ginola's fierce left-foot shot puts Tottenham 3-0 ahead against Sheffield Wednesday yesterday. Photograph: Marc Aspland

"Look boss, if we fail to score again today, we play naked next week. Right lads?"

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SWIMMING

China's world records raise new drug doubts

FOUR years ago at the National Games of China, a shoal of muscular women swimmers, known as the Golden Flowers, swamped the world rankings as no other nation had done before. In one event alone, the 50-metres freestyle, there were ten Chinese in the top 15 in the world, including the six fastest.

Four years and 23 positive steroid tests later, after an acrimonious debate that resulted in the adoption of some of the most stringent drug rules in world sport, including four-year suspensions for anaholic steroid use and nunishments for whole nations. doctors, officials and coaches, the suspicions are back.

In Shanghai over the past six days - once again at the National Games of China, the results of which decide where cash and perks from state coffers will go — world records were set in the 200 metres medley and 400 metres medley, the latter erasing from the record books the last remaining East German standard.

Out of 13 Olympic events. Chinese women - whose per-formances in Atlanta last year were noteworthy for their weakness - now lead the world in nine and in the majority of events they also occupy the runner-up spot. Susan O'Neill, Australia's

Olympic champion over 200 metres butterfly, and normally one of the most mild-mannered of the elite swimmers, said: "They are obviously cheating - they are

Don Talbot, head coach to the Australia team, has called a meeting of the country's best women swimmers today to attempt to minimise the psychological impact that a set of results such as those from Shanghai can have.

well inside Smith's effort. Talbot said of the Chinese: Wu's best time over 200 You have to be naive to think metres stayed at 2min 16sec for three years before she they're clean. This is a planned policy." He believes clocked 2min 12.87sec last year, although she failed to make the final in Atlanta. that the International Olympic Committee and Fina, swimming's international governing body, should be suspicious of the Chinese perreverting back to 2min 16sec. Her new time would have beaten Smith's Olympic victory by an astounding four

> China's women were subject to drug testing at the Games, and have been tested by Fina's out-of-competition testers. On paper, China's women

formances, particularly those

of Chen Yan and Wu Yanyan,

whose best efforts came in the three events won at the Olym-

pic Games by Michelle Smith.

of Ireland. Chen, 16, clocked

4min 34.79sec to shave 1.31sec

off the 15-year standard of

Germany. Wu, 19, stunned the

swimming community with a world record of 2min 09.72sec

Chen's 400 metres time is

some five seconds better than

Smith's Olympic time, six seconds inside her best time

and 19 seconds faster than she

was able to muster in Atlanta.

Chen also clocked 4min

05.00sec over 400 metres free

style, the second fastest of all time, the fastest since 1988 and

in the 200 metres medley.

look set to repeat at the world championships in Perth, Australia, in January, what they chieved at Rome in 1994 before their fall from grace at the hands of drug regulations 12 out of 16 world titles.

Two days before the championships start in Perth, Fina will meet to decide whether to ease the drugs rules in the way they were in athletics - suspensions reduced from four to two years for anabolic steroids. After Shanghai, such moves will be met with strenuous resistance from leading swimming nations, such as Australia, the United States

After the controversy of 1993, Fina instituted a wideranging out-of-competition drug testing programme and in 1994. China's swimmers were caught by surprise when

Among the seven swimmers to test positive were two world champions, Lu Bin and Yang Aihua. Since then the Chinese swimming federation has reported many other positive tests to Fina, which appears to he sold on the line that China has a black-market problem

with drugs. Phil Whitten, editor of Swimming World, who has spent a week monitoring opinion as the Shanghai results came in, believes Fina is wrong. The views I'm genting back are that the Chinese are not only cheating but that we are seeing a state-run pro-gramme, East German-style," Whitten said. "We're witnessing mass deception and sys-



Rusedski has risen seven places to No 4 in the world since Pickard, a controversial choice, became his coach. Photograph: Stephen Wake

Pickard soon pulls rank on Rusedski

ord had it that Tony Pickard was drink ing from a poisoned chalice. His recent appointment as coach to Greg Rusedski prompted a greater sense of bewilderment than had eted Rusedski's march to the US Open Championship final. Rusedski was surely destined to retreat to the basement from where he emerged, wide-eyed and blinking, in the heat of New York. What on earth was Pickard doing when he filled the shoes

the feet of his predecessor, Brian Teacher? The answer has rebutted those who questioned the fusion of two contrasting characters. Chemistry may be an exact science, but the personal variety transcends the limits of conventional equations. Watching Pickard put Rused-ski through his paces in Vienna earlier this month was to witness the old sporting metaphor of master and apprentice.

After just one week on the

ATP Tour, Pickard was al-

so unexpectedly prised from

ready dispensing his wisdom through an accusing finger, a tilt of the head, a barely perceptible movement of the arm. Words were reserved for sterner rebukes. When Rusedski, breaking from the tedium of routine practice, launched himself into a theatrically improvised overhead smash Pickard's features darkened before he demanded: "What the hell was that for?" Rusedski muttered something about deanging his mind, but Pickard had made his point.

A resident of Nottingham, Pickard, 63, shares many. traits with that other coaching icon of the city, Brian Clough. Brash, forceful and intolerant of excess, he is not averse to singing his own praises. "I have improved Greg's game by at least 15 per cent after working with him for three weeks," he said. "He is much more disciplined. Perhaps others might disagree, but I have seen him come through several tight spots since I took him on He knows I won

Julian Muscat watches at work the alliance

that may help to upset the established

order in world tennis

accepted it. The great thing about him is that he listens. Most players don't." Rusedski listens because of

his raw desire. He listens because Pickard's input has seen his world ranking advance from No II to No 4 over three short weeks. He listens because of the debt he owes his father, who took great financiał risks to develop Rusedski's career. A decade of coaching Stefan Edberg, the dual Wiro bledon champion and former world No L has educated Pickard to the requirements of top-class tennis. Rusedski listens because he wants to join

"The kid's attitute is tremendous," Pickard said. "There is no limit to his ambition. It sounds very English, doesn't it, to say you want to hold down a place in the world's too ten, but that never entered my head. It isn't good enough for me and he knows that. If he can do well in Stuttgart and Paris, he's going to be knocking on the biggest door in tennis lat the ATP world

championship| in Hanover." Pickard is further encouraged that Rusedski's recent exploits - he has made the semi-finals or beyond in his past five tournaments - have properly prepared him for the grand-slam events. "At the start of Vienna, Greg said he was tired, feeling very flat, so i told him: 'Young man, this is where it hurs. It's the time in your life when you have to dig deep from within. And he responded magnificently. You only have to win five matches to win most tournaments, but that only takes you past the quarter-finals in a grand-slam. The boy is learning to: pace himself. He now knows that you don't have to hit the

ball at 220mph to serve well. You have to serve smart."

. A feature of Rusedski's recent progress has been his victories over players he has never previously beaten. In Vienna alone he added the names of Andrei Medvedey, Magnus Norman, Todd Martin and Tim Henman to that list. Rusedski attributes the breakthrough to Pickard's clinical assessment of the weaknesses of his opponents. In this respect, he felt that Tea-cher's influence had run its

Dickard will not discuss the finer details of Rusedski's parting with Teacher: He says that he is aware of the circumstances; that Rusedski's decision is totally consistent with his insa-tiable desire. Perhaps Pickard understands this quality better than most who tread the tranquil waters of British tennis. Born and raised in Canada before he adopted British

citizenship, Rusedski spent his-

colony's laisser faire attitude to his chosen career.

For all his reticence over Teacher's tutelage, Pickard maintains that there is plenty left for Rusedski to improve." must admit I was very surprised to find him lacking in direction, attitude and overall knowledge," he said, "Having been with him on the Tour for a week, these things show up. Desire can become a hin drance if you don't channel it

in the right direction. While their relationship remains flushed with the zest of freshness, Pickard must recognise that the deepest recesse of Rusedski's mind have rarely, if ever, been plumbed. Ultimately, Pickard must know that he will have to penetrate these stubborn chambers if Rusedski is to scale the mountain that Pete Samoras, the world No l. has made his personal fletdom. If combustion and success arrive in equal measure, Rusedski will be the last to complain.

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SPORT IN BRIEF

Diabetes diagnosed for Redgrave

STEVE Redgrave, the four-times Olympic rowing champlon, has been diagnosed as suffering from diabetes (Mike Rosewell writes). Redgrave had complained of feely unduly tired after a family holiday last month and has been put on insulin, which like the training he undergoes, lowers his blood-sugar level.

. "I had a similar problem a few years ago but it went away naturally," Redgrave said. "That's what I'm hoping will happen again." Jürgen Groblet, Redgrave's coach, is monitoring the situation. "Steve is doing the full amount of training but if necessary we will develop a programme especially for him." he said yesterday. Redgrave is aiming for an unprecedented fifth gold at Sydney in 2000.

First for Fitz-Gerald

SQUASH: Sarah Fitz-Gerald, the defending champion. enhanced her position at the head of the women's game when she defeated Michelle Martin, her fellow Australian. in the final of the world championship in Sydney yesterday.

Fitz-Gerald, the top seed, overcame the former champion 9-5, 5-9, 6-9, 9-2, 9-3 in a little more than an hour. It was her first victory over Martin in the final of a leading tournament.

Menu tastes success

MOTOR RACING: Alain Menu, of Switzerland, left Donington Park £25.000 richer yesterday and with his name inscribed once more on one of the sport's most famous trophies. Menu's victory for Renault, in the 55th running of the RAC Tourist Trophy, was his second in successive years. He led his team-mate, Jason Plato, in a Renault one-two.

False optimism

TRIATHLON: Germany achieved a clean sweep of the men's medals at the Ironman world championships in Hawaii yesterday, Thomas Hellrigel winning in 8hr 33min Olsec from Jürgen Zach and Lother Lader. Bizarrely, there was a false start to an event comprising a 2.4-mile swim, 112-mile bicycle ride and marathon.

Horton holes record

GOLF: Tommy Horton scored a closing 68 for a record 12-under-par 204 to win the Senior Tournament of Champions at The Buckinghamshire, Denham, by three shots. The Royal Jersey professional, 56, received a £20,000 cheque to bring his winnings for the season to £158,427 after six victories. It was Horton's third successive title.

Wales land double

FISHING: Wales led the home nations to the men's team medals in the world shore championships in Dover at the weekend. They beat England, the favourites, and Scotland, and also took the individual title when Joe Arch pipped Steve Alimark, of England. France retained the women's title, recovering well to finish a point ahead of England.

Clarke takes charge

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CYCLING: Barrie Clarke, making the first defence of his-National Trophy cyclo-cross title, made a winning return yesterday in the first of the competition's four rounds at Wolverhampton. The race developed into a duel between Clarke and Carl Sturgeon, with the champion eventually squeezing home by 3sec in a time of the 03min 19sec.

Wu powers to a world record in the 200 metres medley Controversial coach in new running surprise

CHINA'S women runners, who have made little impression since they set a profusion of world records and won a ciutch of world titles in 1993. exploded back onto the athletics scene over the weekend with a succession of extraordinary performances (David

Powell writes). Highlights of the first three days of the Chinese National Games in Shanghai included a 1.500 metres in which the world record only narrowly survived, the quickest 10,000 metres of the year by far and the second fastest 100 metres of 1997, beating Merlene

Ottey's best time. The 1.500 metres was astonishing for its depth. The top eight women ran faster than the previous quickest time of the year, set by Kelly Holmes.

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be coached by Ma Junren, the trainer behind China's 1993 successes and whose squadwas widely accused of drug taking, allegations which went unprover.

Reports from Shanghai said that Ma accused coaches squad broke up in 1994 in protest at his draconian traincoaches of orchestrating the fall. "Without the accident,

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record," he said.

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Hanover proves lure for top-class field

GREG RUSEDSKI will aim to secure his place at the ATP Tour world championship in Hanover next month with a prominent showing in the star-studded Eurocard Open, which begins in Stuttgart today (Julian Muscat writes).

It will not be easy. For the third year running, this \$2.05 million (about £1.3 million) event has attracted the world's top 20 players. Join-ing them are Andre Agassi and Boris Becker, the winner 12 months ago and a quarterfinalist in a Hong Kong exhibition last week. Becker, unseeded here, is projected to meet Pete Sampras, the world

No I, in the third round. Rusedski has a first-round bye and will tackle either Thomas Johansson, or Nicolas Keifer, of Germany, a

this month. Tim Henman, the Great

Britain No 2, has been paired with another in-form German, Tommy Haas, who lost in straight sets to Fabrice Santoro in the final of the Lyons Grand Prix vesterday. Should Henman prevail, he will confront Goran Ivanisevic, seeded No 4, in the second

The Eurocard Open is the penultimate event in the Mercedes Super Nine series, which concludes in Paris next week. Rusedski will be anxlous to consolidate his fourth spot in the race towards the world championship, in which the top eight players cross swords in a round-robin format. No British player has previously made the cut.

HOCKEY

only draw small comfort

THERE was a slight change at the top of the National League yesterday, with Southgate moving into second pos-ition behind Cannock and pushing Hounslow into third place (Sydney Friskin writes). All three clubs have ten points from four matches and remain the only unbeaten sides in the premier division.

A goal by Nurse from a short corner in the 59th minute enabled Hounslow to earn a 2-2 draw with Cannock. the home side. Hounslow'searlier goal was scored by Whalley, in answer to goals by Mills and Crutchley. "We have only ourselves to blame." Martin Gilbody, the Cannock manager, said afterwards.

Southeate continue to march on with a 6-4 home win over Canterbury. David Mathews scored a hat-trick for Canterbury but Southgate had more firepower, with Simons and Attala scoring two goals. apiece. Reading, the champions, recovered ground with a 3-0 win at home against Barford Tigers; Slay, Wyatt and Pearn scoring the goals. Beeston experienced an 8-1 drubbing by Old Loughtonians, and Conway

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Cannock can Germany give England the

DEPLETED England squad proved no match for a well-drilled Germany, who outclassed the visitors to the tune of 5-2 and 6-1 in their two friendly internationals in Cologne at the weekend

land wach, had intended to use the matches to blood new players and try out different combinations but, after Tina Cullen, a striker, and Lisa Copeland, a defender, pulled out with injuries, Souyave's options were limited.

again paid the price for squan-dering their chances at penalty corners. Although they earned six to Germany's four, the hosts maintained a 75 per cent conversion rate after Becker, Krienke and Hentschel all found the net Jane Sixsmith and Jane Smith scored either side of the break for England, who trailed 2-1 at

Germany were quick on the draw in yesterday's encounter. scoring after only 45 seconds and racing into a 40 lead at the break. England fought back bravely after the restart. reducing the deficit to 4-1 but the bome team hammered two more past a helpless Carolyn Reid to complete an emphatic

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GOLF: GOOSEN MAINTAINS 100 PER CENT RECORD AS SOUTH AFRICA WIN DUNHILL CUP AT CHILLY ST ANDREWS

Sweden fail the cold weather test

GOLF CORRESPONDENT

IN BAD weather it is not. always the team that would appear to be more at home in the cold that carries off the spoils. This was borne out. yesterday when South Africa defeated Sweden 2-1 to win the Alfred Dunhill Cup on a windtossed Old Course at St Andrews, a neat reversal of the score when the two teams met. in the final six years ago.

Victory was no less than the South Africans deserved because, as the faint morning southeasterly turned into a snorting fury in the afternoon, they donned their cold weagear and coped better with the biting wind. It seemed like August at lunchtime but by teatime it had turned into a raw December

This competition is one that is rarely fully understood. It has more permutations than a pools coupon. But yesterday was the one day when criticism of its intricate format, the fact that this year this illegitimate son of a union between strokeplay and matchplay came so soon after the thrilling Ryder Cup, and the general air of indifference that was affected towards it last week were cast aside.

Until the temperature changed in the afternoon, the day had been blessed with sunshine and a vivid clarity of light. When the church bell tolled its summons there was a feeling that it was calling worshippers not to a medieval edifice in the centre of town but to a medieval edifice on the edge of town: the Old Course, the most hallowed land in golf.

By that time, Joakim Haeggman had set the course alight with an outward half of against Justin Leonard, perhaps the most damaging passage of play inflicted on the Open champion all year. And soon after that, Sweden had defeated the United States in one semi-final and South Africa beaten New Zealand in the

As a team. Sweden meshed: like perfectly constructed cogs. On the first day Jesper Parnevik was blisteringly good, equalling the new course record with a 65. On the second, they all did enough to defeat France 3-0. On the third, while Haeggman gave a taste of what was to come the



Haeggman in full swing as he excels on the first nine holes of the Old Course yesterday. Photograph: Andrew Redington/Allsport

66, Per-Ulrik Johansson best Steve Elkington at the second extra hole to ensure their passage into the semi-finals.

The Swedes were 17 under par for their first three matches and with Haeggman's heroics and another disappointing display by Brad Faxon, who was under par in only one of his four matches, meant that the United States, the defending champions, were out and the thrusting Swedes were in the final against the South Africans.

Retief Goosen, who went off first for South Africa, was an unsung hero for the men from the southern hemisphere. He won all five of his matches and only one round of his was above par. He was never behind against Parnevik. When Goosen reached the middle of the 18th green safely and Harnevik pitched on the next morning with a round of front edge, and like mousands

before him watched his bell roll back into the Valley of Sin, there was no possibility that the Swede could claw back the stroke difference.

As the year has gone on Johansson has gained in au-thority and if his game continues to improve as it has since 1995, say, then a truly formidable competitor, albeit rather a slow one, may have emerged. Johansson's victory over Davis Love at Valderrama was no fluke and his 71, much of it layed while the wind was at its fiercest, was his second sub-par round of the day and good enough to see off David

So it would all be decided by Haeggman, the hero of the morning, and Els, the hero of, well, just the hero, a man two days past his 28th birthday. Haeggman had little chance, the imp of inspiration that had lit up his play earlier having

disappeared. A rock steady 72 was not going to be good enough to beat Els, who had a

Els and South Africa now hold the World and Dunhill Cons. It was an emotional victory for Frost, who in 1991, was, at 32, the voungest memher of a side that also included John Bland and Gary Player. It was Frost who insisted that Els should face Haegmann in the third match when Els wanted to play Parnevik.

"Ernie was our trump card at the back of the field," Frost said. Els was a heavyweight on a day when weight and experience were both needed. You know we don't get weather like this back home," he said, clearly wrapped up well with a bobble cap on his head, and a polo neck topped by several other thick sweaters. "And if we do, we don't play in

RESULTS FROM ST ANDREWS

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Haeggman makes hay on fairway to heaven

BEN HOGAN once dreamt that he had 17 holes in one and woke up furious because he failed to hole in one on the 18th as well (John Hopkins writes). Such golf is possible only in one's mind, though Joakim Haeggman played nine holes in 27 strokes over the Old Course at St Andrews yesterday that resembled the

stuff of dreams. Several players have taken only 27 strokes for nine holes, Mike Souchak and Andy North on the United States tour and Robert Lee (twice) and José Maria Cañizares in Europe, Last year Mark the Old Course in 28, including eight successive birdies, and admitted that he never thought he would see the day when that score was

.But if ever the advance of sechnology, skill, strength of the modern professional and improved conditioning of golf courses was demonstrated convincingly. Haeggman did it on a day of breathtaking calm and clarity when he started with a par followed by a birdie and then recled off an eagle and six birdies in a row. Justin

Leonard. Haeggman's opponent in the Sweden and United States semi-final, had done little wrong, yet found himself nine strokes behind.

What Haeggman did to the Old Course yesterday was remarkable, not least because he did not really play all that well and because recent alterations have lengthened the outward nine by 30 yards. Haeggman, however, was inspired on the greens, holing putts of 20ft on the 7th and 25ft on the 6th and 9th and taking only nine putts for as many holes. On the 3rd he did not need to putt at all because he holed a wedge-stroke from 133 yards for an eagle two.

At the conclusion of his round, Haeggman seemed underwhelmed. Perhaps his elation had been sapped by his homeward half of 41, the rot starting when he hooked wildly on the 12th in trying to drive the green, lost the ball and took a seven. Nine under par after 11 holes, he finished

BOWLS

Gillett stays cool at finish to win Open

BY DAVID RITYS JONES

THE story was the classic one of the humble chorus girl who takes over the lead role and wows them in the stalls, but the arena yesterday was the Preston Guild Hall and the event the Bupa Care Homes Open Championship. Les Gillett. 26, a left-hander.

took full advantage of the World Bowls Tour's new system and beat four world champions to take the title. Gillett's 7-5, 7-0, 6-7, 7-4 victory over David Gourlay,

the 1996 world indoor singles champion, followed wins over Ian Schuback, Hugh Duff and John Price. "I was a complete outsider

until August, when Gary Smith, the secretary of the Professional Bowls Association (PBA), phoned me and told me that there were going to be play-offs for places in the Open and the world championship," Gillett said,

Previously, the only way of getting into the field for major televised events was to win your national title or a national qualifier, to which only a favoured few were invited. By joining the PBA I've had the chance to prove that the road to the top is open to everyone."

The final was an entertaining, biff-bang affair, with five maximum counts - three to Gillen and two to Gourlay. Gillett trailed 5-0 in the first set before fighting back. "I play better when I'm nervous, but I could hardly deliver a bowl at the start," he said. He won the second set in just two ends, but at 6-6 in the third, he conceded the shot, and started kicking the bowls to the back of the rink, forgetting that he had another wood to play.

Forfeiting the right to play it, Gillett lost the set. 7-6, but embarked on the fourth set as if nothing untoward had

happened. Gouriay was unjucky to drop a four on the second end to trail 6-0, but Gillett was equally unfortunate to concede a full house on the third end. However, Gillett used his fourth bowl to maximum effect and calmly drew the winning shot.

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CRICKET: AUSTRALIAN LEG SPINNER STAYS AT HOME AFTER FLIRTING WITH THREE COUNTIES

Warne turns back on risk game

CRICICET CORRESPONDENT

IN THE cold light of an autumn morning, there can be no surprise that the most coveted cricketer in the world has decided against spending next summer on the toughest of treadmills. Though it will cause dismay in at least three counties, Shane Warne has taken an entirely logical decision in rejecting the financial lure of English county cricket. He has also, unwittingly, advertised the increasing unworkability of the overseas

player system. Let us face it. Warne would have been mad to come. Forget the fancy figures, being touted from Trent Bridge and Hove, for they simply prove that cricket can command corporate backing whenever charisma is involved. Warne, his physical fitness precarious, would have been risking far more than he could have

hoped to gain.

There is a cynical view, difficult to dismiss, that this protracted saga was a sham, that Warne's only motivation in flirting with county cricket was to persuade his Australian employers to head off the possibility with improved

Warne's friends among English players are of this view and have been since this phenomenal leg spinner an-nounced, through his Sunday newspaper column, that he was open to offers.

There was never likely to be a shortage of interest and it had the twin virtues of giving his column a long-standing plot while putting the frighteners on those who pay the wages back in Melbourne. Warne went so far down this road, and found it lined

with so much gold, that he may almost have persuaded himself. Sussex, with a deal-brokered by their former captain, Tony Greig, offered possibilities of messianic stature within a threadbare team: at Nottinghamshire, bankrolled by Boots, he could have earned a small fortune on a favourite Test ground, albeit one on which he showed the unattractive side of his nature with his juvenile celebrations of the Ashes victory in August.

Northamptonshire were still in the hunt and Lancashire would have been keen but for the thorny problem of having to pay off Wasim Akram first. Warne was spoilt for choice, yet, as he repeated-



Warner logical decision

ly failed to meet self-set deadlines, even his insistence that he was "90 per cent certain" to sign for a county, carried little

When he came dean over the weekend, telling all pro-spective courtiers they had been wasting time and effort. Warne played the family card first, stressing how he wanted to spend more time with his wife, Simone, and daughter. Brooke. This was disingenu-ous — he had obviously thought of them before and their passage to England was included in every offer.

It was when he spoke of the pressures applied on him, and of the international schedule rang true. "Many people had advice, from those who said I should go while I had the chance to those who said I should not risk more wear and tear while I still had a few good years left as an Austra-

han Test player. "I was the one who had to work out what was best for me and I was the one who had to accept the consequences. In the next year, Australia have a very hectic schedule."

They are, of course, not alone in this. The international calendar, once a leisurely schedule confined to certain accepted months, has fewer gaps each year. The travel and playing inneraries of the top players are ever more intensive and, increasingly, they encroach onto the previously

sacrosanct English summer. His methods may smack of opportunism but Warne has ultimately been faithful to his country and his career by refusing county offers. The same will be said of virtually all the best players in years to come and unless counties wish to squander their money on the second rate or the uncommitted, they must now accept that the overseas player market is no longer an asset.

Spinners punished by Pollock

ALTHOUGH Adam Bacher missed his maiden Test century by four runs, lively contributions from Hansie Cronje, the captain, Shaun Pollock and Lance Klusener helped South Africa to a first-innings total of 402 against Pakistan on the third day of the second Test at Sheikhupura, Pakistan were 53 for one in reply when bad light halted play. Bacher, who resumed on 78.

was troubled by the slow bowlers and was beaten three times in an over by Mushtaq Ahmed before the leg spinner turned one sharply to have him caught behind. Cronje was fifth out at 252.

But not before he had broken the grip of the spinners, hit-ting two sizes off Mushtaq and one off Ali Husain Rizvi in his half-century. Pollock and Klusener, who

added 96, followed their captain's example until Klusener was dismissed leg before by Azhar Mahmood for St. Pollock was last man out, caught on the boundary at long-off for 82, his highest Test score.

BASKETBALL

Cayard on course to complete unexpected first-leg victory

BY EDWARD GORMAN, SAILING CORRESPONDENT

THE first leg of the Whitbread Round the World Race is reaching its climax with Paul Cayard, in EF Language, expected to finish in Cape Town late tonight or early tomor-row, as the battle for second place continues around 100 miles astern of him.

Yesterday, Cayard was looking comfortable for an unexpected first-leg win, sailing straight down the rhumbline to the finish at about 15 knots. Knut Frostad, aboard the second-placed Innovation Kvaerner, and Grant Dalton, third in Merit Cup, were steering similar courses but were 109 and 112 miles behind

respectively.

Overall, the first three in the fleet do not look in any danger because there is a cushion of around 250 miles between Merit and the fourth-placed yacht, Silk Cut, skippered by Lawrie Smith of Great Britain. Smith in turn is almost 275 miles ahead of Mark Fischer's Chessie Racing.

It has been a good weekend for Smith, whose boat was the fastest in the fleet on Saturday

night, after a day on which Silk Cut recorded a 24-hour distance record for the first leg of 417.2 miles. Steve Hayles, the navigator, reported: "The leg to date has been fairly slow but the last 30 hours have given us all a reminder of why we do this race. In the previous two days we have been working hard to get as far south as possible, so as to hook into a deep Southern Ocean depression. The breeze finally kicked in just before midnight and in 18 hours we covered 310 miles at an average speed of

The brisk conditions caused minor damage to many boats. On Saturday, Ross Field, skipper of the seventh-placed America's Challenge, report-ed a huge broach in 47 knots of wind as his W60 ploughed under with masthead spinnaker and spinnaker staysail set. championships at Algarrobo, in Chile, Hugh Styles, of Britain, was lying sixth after five races, with fellow Briton and Olympic silver medalwinner, Ben Ainslie, in ninth position. Nik Burloot, of New





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Tucker riding out the Storm

season extra purpose.

By NICHOLAS HARLING

LIFE was put in its true perspective for Steve Tucker last winter when he crawled out of his Chevrolet, which had flipped twice on the Mississippi freeway before crashing into a gully. "I was bucky to be alive and I knew when I got out that I still wanted to coach," he said.

It was with that yarrows.

It was with that narrow escape in mind that Tocker could not get too depressed about Derby Storm's disappointing start to the season. "But sometimes," he said, "a light comes up in the attic and you don't know where it came from." So it was on Saturday when the Storm, who had lost ignominiously the previous week to the Budweiser League's bottom-but-one club, Crystal Palace, defeated the high-riding Thames Valley Tigers 93-83 to give their

Formerly coach to Hemel

Hempstead (now Watford) Royals (for two days) and Birmingham Bullets, Tucker, 40, answered the call from Mike Horton, the Derby owner, during the summer after he had released Jeff Jones. With only a single win -against the Royals, the league's bottom club - Tucker's start was anything but promising. "We bit the rocks and tripped over some of them," he said, "but we kept our belief and against the Tigers our young team grew up in front of the fans, who had been fantastic."

One of Tucker's new re-cruits, Ted Berry, led the scoring with 33 points for the Storm, who, after finishing the first half all square at 46-46, made their move in a post-interval surge of 18-7. Facing his former club. Jason Siemon collected 22 points for

the Tigers.

Both the other games on Saturday were lopsided af-fairs. Worthing Bears, who had come within seven points of beating the Leopards the previous evening, ran out of energy on the long trek to Newcastle Eagles, where they were humbled 86-56. Ricardo Leonard returned from a fam-By bereavement to contribute 24 points for Chester Jets, who beat Watford Royals 105-67.

Graham takes plaudits as Leeds leave Dalglish lost for words

Newcastle lose sense of adventure





LEEDS UNITED 4 **NEWCASTLE UNITED 1** By Mark Hodkinson

AMONG the less well-known services of Kevin Keegan plc are the monvational speeches that he of-fers to industry. If the price is right, he will expound the virtues of enterprise, self-belief, teamwork, and, in case you missed it first time around, more enterprise.

An hour with Special KK and staff are racing to their desks, doing deals at double speed, beg ging for overtime, and it is all accomplished with a do-or-die panache. True, the company might have been wise to think twice before speculating in Nicaraguan bath salts but, hey, life is supposed to be fun.

Newcastle United, under Kevin Keegan's guidance, were fiercely loyal to the creed. Their football was reckless in the extreme, but always with a smile and a goal, or five. Where there was once daring. there is now Kenny Dalglish. The Newcastle manager aspires to neat, passing football, but the safety nets must be in place at all times.

Leeds United, thus far, have been average to abysmal in front of their home supporters. In sporting parlance, they were there for the taking at Eliand Road on Saturday. Newcastle did not notice; they were too rigidly defensive and fearful of enterprise to concern themselves with Leeds' shortcomings.

Daiglish pitched Ian Rush, playing against his former club, as a lone striker against a hard tack-ling, quick-footed, four-man Leeds defence. Rush is 36, barely matchfit and trying to rediscover his form. He struggled even to reach nuisance value and, within minutes of the kick-off, it was obvious in which direction the traffic would

flow for the rest of the game. Ribeiro scored first when he aimed a hopeful stretched leg at a Wallace cross, Kewell bundled the second goal over the line after catching Lee dithering in his own



Kelly, of Leeds, bursts between Watson, left, and Howey, the Newcastle defenders, at Elland Road. Photograph: John Giles

penalty area. A trio of messy goals deflected a scuffed shot by Hopkin

past Given, the goalkeeper.

Just after half-time Wetherall headed home direct from a corner. Under Keegan's regime, Leeds might have steadied themselves for a stirring Newcastle fightback and a possible 4-3 win, but there was no need. Soon after the fourth goal, there was a cameo that epitomised Newcastle's obsession with caution. Given was about to kick the ball upfield, but there was no one to whom he could aim. Six Newcastle players were in their own penalty area, while the rest were barely ten yards in advance of it.

Newcastle scored a goal they did not deserve when a lob forward deceived Martyn, the Leeds goalkeeper, who had raced needlessly from his area. Gillespie let the ball drop on to his forehead and lifted it into an unguarded goal.

Dalglish wore a look of bewilderment at the after-match press conference. He stared into the middle-distance solemnly, in a world of his own. It was a few seconds before anyone dared to ask a question. Finally, it came. What did he think of his team's performance? "Not much," he replied. He took a while too long to answer, reluctant to part with the words. "I can't give an explanation. The

performance levels were totally unacceptable. He was asked if anyone had been injured. "We wouldn't pick up any injuries playing like that, would we?" he countered. "The biggest thing hurt today was our pride

George Graham, the Leeds manager, was, by contrast, savouring the moment. He was compliment ed on a "fantastic performance" by one journalist. "I cannot hear you, speak up," Graham said, asking him to announce it to the room. "It was a good all-round performance. We kept it very, very tight and were creating chances. The players are willing, honest and have some ability too," he said. Afterwards,

Dalglish retreated to a nearby corridor, next to the press lounge, where he spoke to his trusted cabal of journalists, drawn mainly from the North East.

They asked him about Cole and Gascoigne, two players with whom the club has been linked. The denials did not appear to be profuse or protracted; Newcastle supporters take heart, life may soon be fun again.

LEEDS UNITED (4-4-2): N Martyn — G Halle, D Wetherst. L Radebe, D Robertson — G Kelly, A I Hasiand, B Ribero, D Hoofen (sub: L Bowyer, 87mm) — H Kewel, R Walson, NEWCASTLE UNITED (3-5-1-1): S Green — S Wyston, D Resock, S Housey — W Barton, R Lee, D Betty, J Barnes (tub: K. Galespae, 53), J Berestord — T Ketsbets (sub: J D Tomesson, 53)

Arsenal put on the spot by Bergkamp ban

ARSENAL stay top of the FA Carling Premiership after this un-distinguished goalless draw; but for how long? Dennis Bergkamp. cautioned for the fifth time this season, will miss three league games, just as he missed their Uefa Cup game in Salonika against PAOK — though that was through fear of flying. Arsenal lost that match. Without the Dutchman, they resemble a car without an engine and one of the matches he must miss is against Manchester

Nothing much of any creative consequence comes from the mid-field and, without Bergkamp at his side, life will be hard for Ian Wright. At Selhurst Park on Saturday, it was Wright who came closest to a goal. Bergkamp, booked for a second-half foul, could well have been shown a yellow card or worse when, in the first half, he swimg a boot at Andy Roberts.

Fils manager, Arsène Wenger, spoke up strongly for Bergkamp afterwards: "We always see that the same things are not punished against him," he said, "which is a concern when you see opponents with their arms around him for five, six or seven seconds. The No 22 [Herman Hreidarsson] did

so many fouls against him and always without being punished." Steve Coppell, the Palace manager, not surprisingly saw things differently. Herman was superb and I thought it a good match-up between the two. Bergkamp's immensely strong and he's got to accept that, occasionally, people are going to make contact with him. I think Herman stayed his ground, and he's a strong man himself, but there's no way he wrestled with him; he just stood off

and marked him." In fits and starts, Bergkamp still managed to look the fine player that he is, an intricate piece of footwork here, a telling pass there. Lombardo, by contrast, faded into obscurity in the second half. With Edworthy overlapping so dangerously in the later stages of the first half, one can understand why Coppell plays Lombardo so centrally. But it is not his role. He is not a great ball-player, essentially, he is a piston of a right wing with a good change of pace, who can go up





CRYSTAL PALACE 0 ARSENAL 0

By Brian Glanville

and down the touchline forever; Late in the match he gave way to his compatriot, Ivano Bonetti, who at 33, should still have some good games in him. As for that other Italian, Lombardo's former teammate at Juventus, the 31-year-old striker, Michele Padovano, Coppell said: "He won't be coming, I don't think.

Palace, however, could certainly do with him. They did not force a save from David Seaman until midway through the second half, when he had little trouble dealing with a first-time effort from Paul Warburst

Kevin Miller, the Palace goalke er, had far more to do and did it well. In the first half when lan Wright, playing on the pitch where he made his name, unleashed a low shot, Miller threw himself to turn it away. Earlier, Tony Adams should have done better when, after elegant work on the right by Bergkamp, he directed a tame, header straight at Miller. Just after half-time. Wright jinked and jostied his way through, but Edworthy blocked his shot.

Luis Bos Morte, making his Premiership debut for Arsenal on the left wing, should have had a penalty in the first half when Edworthy palpably tugged him back. By and large, however, the young Portuguese found this a. harsh anticlimax after the Coca-Cols romp against Birmingham City on Tuesday. Little that he did succeeded and, soon after being booked, he came off.

CRYSTAL PÁLACE: (8-6-2): K Miller — H Hisocassico, A Roberts, A Lindjinan — M Edinostiv, A Londinan — M Edinostiv, A Londinan — G Godon — P Washurst (sub: IS needle, 195), M Stricostiv, ASSENAL (4-4-2): D Sasmen — G Grimanid, S Bould, A Adiuma, N Winterburn — R Parlou (sub: A Mondae, 71), P Visite, E Patit, L Soe Morie (sub: D Piati, 85) — D Bergistman, I Wright.

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Gullit stays firm in his beliefs to triumph on and off the pitch

AS SOMEONE who once declined his country's invitation to a World Cup because he did not agree with the coach's methods, there is an element of gozipoacher-turnedgamekeeper that does not sit easily with Rund Gullit's image as the urbane, accommodating Chelsea player-manager: so cool that to see him perspiring even on such a steamy afternoon was a shock, so laid-back that you half-expected him to be carried horizontally into the Stamford Bridge press-room to analyse his team's latest success.

Those who mistook affability for weakness soon discovered that behind the broad smile and warm exterior was a ruthless streak. Players who wanted guaranteed places had to find them at other clubs, while those who stayed discovered that victory one week could be followed by demotion the next. Using an iron fist inside a velvet glove, Gullit won the battle with his staff hands down: this victory may have gone some way to achieving the same result with any doubters in the stands.

For 88 minutes an increasingly restless crowd had seen Chelsea frustrated by their own wastefulness in the penalty area and the unorthodox methods of a nervous but inspired debutant goalkeeper. They demanded the introduction of Mark Hughes from the substitutes' bench to get among a heavily manned and stoical Leicester City defence; they urged their team to abandon its studied, patient build-ups and get the ball in the box. They eventually got their first wish.





CHELSEA 1 LEICESTER CITY 0 By Keith Pike

but not the second; and, in the end they had to recognise that Gullit. once again, had got it right.

The late, decisive goal, hit from some 30 yards into the top righthand corner with venomous power and exquisite precision, was described by Frank Leboeuf, the scorer, as "the most beautiful in my career". It reduced Martin O'Neill. the Leicester manager, to the point of tears. And it completed for Guilit "one of the most satisfying performances" that he has been involved with - and this from the coach of a team that possesses the best goals-

per-game ratio of any in the re-Carling Premiership.
"I was very proud of the way we handled it." Gullit said. "We played with patience, we played with our heads as well as our hearts and we did not panie. In the past, Chelsea

would not have won that game. "It is important to do well against teams like Arsenal, Liverpool and Manchester United, but it is just as important to beat teams like Leicester. My ambition is to make people play better — it gives me more satisfaction than the victory itself." Pressed into action from the 28th minute on Saturday, when Graeme Le Saux fell heavily in the Leicester penalty area and dislocated an elbow. Gullit was able to orchestrate as well as admire at close quarters a performance that oozed

class and composure. Gallantly as Leicester worked to stem the flow, they could have suffered a defeat every bit as comprehensive as the one that Chelsea inflicted on Barnslev in August. That they did not was down to poor finishing by, in particular, Flo and Babayaro - although the latter was also unlucky to hit the crossbar in the first half - and the

athleticism of Pegguy Arphexad. the inexperienced French goalkeeper summoned when Kasey Keller fractured his thumb in training on Friday. Six times Chelsea thought that they had beaten him from long range, six times the ball was turned over the crossbar. "We were up against a world-class side," O'Neili said. "Anyone

who can afford to leave Mark Hughes on the bench has lots going for it. With that sort of class, you would be entitled to think you would go close to winning the title." Chelsea, staff and supporters, were not about to disagree.

CHELSEA (4-4-2) E de Goey — F Snclar, F Leboeuf SChaho GLe Sauc (am R Guis, 28-m) — D Petrosa, E Nashan, F D Matteo (sub Al Hughes, 73), C Bathayara — T A Fio (sub G via.). Hughes, 73], U bassyand — S Pros. 80), G Zota — S Pros. BLOCESTER CITY (3-5-2) P Arphenad — S Pros. M Elliot, P Karmani — R Savage, S Campbell (sat J Wats, 80), N Lemmor, M Est S Gudo, — E Heskey, S Clandge (sat G Fertun, 88) Referee, U Remne



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Danny Wilson's side are, at least, still within striking distance of other teams, a position that many observers feel will not be within their grasp by Christ-mas. Tonight, at Oakwell, though, they will be able to lift themselves off the bottom of the table if they can secure three points against Coventry City, who are no strangers themselves to the art of battling their way out of the basement.

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Kinnear can afford to laugh as Villa count cost of failure

with Gazzamania on Saturday. Paul Gascoigne, the clown prince of England and Rangers, was rumoured to be joining the ranks. Bring out the flags, rejoice. The saviour of St Paul will shortly be

among us.

At the Holte End, the barometer of all things good and bad, the home supporters stayed silent. Even when Aston Villa were slipping almost apologetically towards their sixth deleat in the FA Carling Premiership this season, not a Gascoignesque murmur could be

That 43 per cent of those polled in a local paper suggested Gascoigne should reaffirm his allegiance to Rangers should have given a clue. That Doug Ellis, the Villa chairman, was reported to be meeting Mel Stein, one of Gascoigne's advisers, on Saturday night, inspired little but trepidation. That a 30-year-old, with suspect body and soul, would command a fee of £4.5 million and wages of £28,000 a week chilled the claret-and-blue

blood. Brian Little, the manager, also played it cool. Had he made an offer to Rangers? "I refuse to confirm that," he replied. Was the chairman about to enter negotia-tions? "He may well do." Had the speculation affected the Villa players? "Players get used to it." Is the Gascoigne deal on? "My main concern is the [Uefa Cup] game against Athletic Bilbao on Tuesday. That's all that is on my needed.

all that is on my agenda. By yesterday morning, the sense



ASTON VILLA 1 WIMBLEDON 2 By Russell Kempson

of foreboding had eased. Ellis and Stein had apparently not met. Newcastle United had taken over pole position in the potential bidding and, anyway, maybe Gas-coigne wants to stay put. The dark cloud above Villa Park may pass

Other clouds hover, though, with anything but silver linings. What is wrong with Villa? Why can they only rarely produce, whatever system or personnel Little chooses? And how are they going to cope with the Basques of Bilbao in their second round, first-leg tie in Spain

tomorrow night?
It is unlikely that a solution is close at hand, such is the gravity and perplexity of the predicament. If Little is mostly mystified — "We defended poorly, we waited for things to happen, we never got the tempo right," he ventured larnely --what chance has the humble scribe

or ordinary punter?
Against a willing and workman-like Wimbledon, nobody could blame Stan Collymore, either.

After a pairry return of one goal in 13 matches since his £7 million move from Liverpool, he sat it out because of suspension. Even with Yorks and Milosevic reunited up front, Villa were unsettled and unconvincing. No imagination, no invention; short on confidence and

At least Joe Kinnear, the Wimbledon manager, could chorde. "You don't need money to win matches," he said, with another of his not-sosly digs at Premiership fat cats.

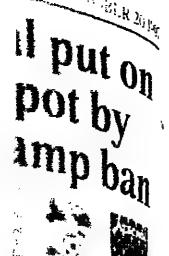
We've been doing it for years." Cort, 19, cost not a penny and has progressed through the club's renowned youth and reserve teams. He guided in a 62nd-minute cross from Ceri Hughes, for his fifth goal in seven starts this season, and should move on to a higher plane. Earle had given Wimbledon a first-

half lead, Taylor had equalised. Kinnear, in devilish mood, also entered the great Gazza debate. "In Scotland, you only get four big-games a season," he said, referring to the quartet of Rangers-Celtic knees-ups. "Paul should come back to England, we'd then find out what he's really all about if it's, with Villa, then he might give them. a new impetus." As usual, Kinnear spoke for the underdog, the minority. At Villa Park, he was in a minority of about one.

ASTON VILLA (3-5-2): M Bosnich — U Bhiog Sameca (sub: A Waght, 74mai), G Southgate Charles, S Curdo (sub: J Josephin, 74), S Grey I Taylor, S Saurdon — D Yorke, S Milosevic. WINDELEDON (3-1-4-2) N Subvan — C Perry, D Bladwell, B Thetcher — V Jones — K Curreing-harn, M Hughes, R Berts (sub: N Ardley, 85), C Hughes — C Con, E Blottut.

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Henchoz brings Swiss role to Rovers



BLACKBURN ROVERS 1 SOUTHAMPTON 0

By Matt Dickinson

FIRST time around, it was a big. brash and extravagantly funded production. Blackburn Rovers The Revival is a quieter affair, but it promises to be no less effective or enthralling.

Whereas Kenny Dalglish took on the bully boys of the FA Carling Premiership by flexing Sir Jack Walker's considerable financial muscle, Roy Hodgson, the manag-er, has guided the club almost surreptitiously to second place in the table. Blackburn's victory over Southampton at Ewood Park on Saturday, which lifted them above Manchester United, was confirmation that they are mounting a championship challenge - not that anyone at Ewood Park will admit as much under Hodgson's understated regime.

This unassuming man shows few signs that his career has taken him from Croydon to Blackburn via one of the great power bases of world football at Internazionale. Even the supporters appear to have adopted his low-key mood, seemingly unaware that a team bottom of the Premiership 12 months ago now stands within touching distance of the summit.

The approach is reflected in the type of players Hodgson has brought to the club, unpretentious men such as Stephane Henchoz, who was wandering around after the game on Saturday carrying his belongings in a Tesco carrier bag.

The centre half, his choice of supermarket and his sporning of Manchester United in the summer

for a quieter life in the Ribble Valley epitomises the work ethic that Hodgson has instilled. "Some people in Germany said I could not be very well in the head to choose Blackburn shead of Old

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Trafford, the Switzerland Interna-tional, hured from SV-Hamburg for E3 million, said. If spent three days thinking about it, because I big as United. But it was a big change coming to England from Germany and, as a 23-year-old, I wanted to be sure of first team football. I [have] had no regrets.

"I played under Roy when he was manager of Switzerland, so I know what a great coach he is. We work more than other teams because he knows exactly what he wants and has very firm ideas about the game. He has so many tactical plans and in training he makes us do them again and again until we get them right. Sometimes that can be frustrating but on match day you see how it all

Blackburn's functional victory was by no means the best demonstration of that meticulous planning, but then their ability to win when short of their best carned them the championship under Dalglish. Their domination of possession was only reflected by Tim Sherwood's 25th minute goal, the captain striking a hobbling shot from the edge of the area after good work by the lively Kevin Gallacher and the indefatigable Chris Sutton.

With Henchoz and Colin Hendry so resolute at the back, the assertion by Dave Jones, the Southampton manager, that his team deserved something seemed somewhat wide of the mark, despite some promising enterpris from David Hirst on his debut. It was Southampton's fifth defeat inas many Premiership matches away from home this season. They were far from outclassed, but there was a distinctly first-division look about them and it is no wonder Jones constantly appears to be on

the brink of tears.

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Champions' stubbornness earns point after Wanchope works wonders



His celebration ritual may lack originality but Wanchope again showed incomparable qualities in scoring the goal that put Derby 2-0 up. Photograph: Marc Aspland

Derby denied by United's pride

THE match had been good enough, anyway. Paulo Wanchope had scored a marvellous goal and achieved the rare feat of making Gary Neville look silly in the process. Teddy Sheringham had had a penalty saved, Andy Cole had come off the substitutes' bench to score a clinical equaliser. It could have ended there in the exhibitanting draw between Derby County and Manchester United but there was an encore; too.

It was a vaudevillian episode, really, a

modest soap opera snippet of revenge and retribution from the underbelly of football. In its seamy sort of way, though, it provided yet another indication that Alex Ferguson, the Manchester United manager, is most definitely not for mellowing, that the process of the fostering of grievances that he likes to build within him and his team is under way again for another season.

It started when a bespectacled Derby official in a jacket of rich burgundy walked into the press room at Pride Park and made the amountement. "Mr Ferguson," he said, has declined your invitation to come to speak to you. He will be leaving shortly on really started...

Jim Smith, the Derby manager and one of Ferguson's great admirers, could hardly suppress his mirth when he reached the end of his own press conference. "Alex isn't coming," he said. "Somebody misquoted him, apparently." The problem, it tran-spired, was not that at all. The problem wasthat someone had quoted him.

After United had lost to Ipswich Town in the Coca-Cola Cup at Portman Road on Tuesday, it was obvious to all who attended his post-match debrief that he was far from distraught about being eliminated from a competition that has become an irrelevance for the feading clubs in the FA Carling Premiership.

He made some comments to that effect but made it clear that they were off the record.

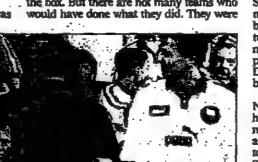
based reporter, still harwee spiv" by the United manager after the posing of an innocuous question some years previously, sensed an opportunity to get his own back.

The quote duly appeared and Perguson, who has already banned the representatives of one national newspaper from all press conferences at The Cliff, Manchester United's training

ground, promptly banned the representa tives of another, too, and then tarred everyone with the same brush by failing to appear at Pride Park.

DERBY COUNTY 2 MANCHESTER UNITED 2 By Oliver Holt Football Correspondent

> "Our problem today," Smith said, "was that we could not quite believe that we could beat Manchester United, in the second half, we sat back and we allowed them to play too many balls into the hox. But there are not many teams who



2-0 down but they kept playing and kept receiving the same sort of playing and eventually they wore us down." criticism as Gerry Fran-In the first half, Derby, who started the cis and Howard Kendall day in sixth place as the FA Carling does not bear thinking about. The point, though, Premiership's form team, overran the champions. Wanchope, their Costa Rican midfield a point which has been player, who is an elusive, gangling mixture of Faustino Asprilla and Chris Waddle, tore the United defence spart, robbed them of their composure, and reduced them to an made many times before and which Smith made forcefully again, is that it is that very bloody-mind-edness which has helped indisciplined shadow of their usual selves. to bring him so many honours and that he has managed to instil in his

They took the lead midway through the half. Rowett curied in a free kick, Wanchope rose above his marker and headed down powerfully and, even though Schmeichel produced a wonderful save, Baiano, Derby's close-season capture from Fiorentina, volleyed the ball back into the net.

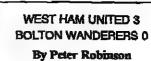
Five minutes later, Poom, redeemed his own error in tripping Giggs by pushing Sheringham's penalty on to a post and six minutes before half-time, Wanchope, who by now had Neville thoroughly rattled, turned the England defender sweetly, nutmegged Berg and side-footed his shot past Schmeichel. He should have scored Perby's third in the dying but crashed his shot against the bar. In the second half, though, as Derby tired,

Neville epitomised the very spirit that Smith had highlighted, the kind of bloody-mindedness Ferguson had instilled. Six minutes after the interval, his determination got him to a long throw out from Poom before Sturridge. He advanced down the right wing and crossed for Sheringham to head in unchallenged. The stage was set for Cole's 83rd minute equaliser and the man in the burgundy jacket.

DEREY COUNTY (4-3-1-2); M Poom — G Rowett, C Delly, J Laursen, C Powell — R van der Laan (aub: J Hunt, 78mm), L Carsiny, P Trollope — F Balano (aub: D Burlon, 68) — D Sturndge, P Winnchope.

Berkovic in demand as West Ham flourish





AS THE crowds streamed away from Upton Park on Saturday, a curious scene was being played out behind them. Peter Storrie, the managing director of West Ham United. Eyal Berkovic, the club's Israel playmaker, and his agent, Pini Zahavi, stood on a tiny dais in the press lounge and made a statement. First Storrie and then Berkovic, with Zahavi interpreting - "I can speak English, but I am tired," Berkovic said - denied a newspaper report that he wanted to leave West Ham. He is not about to leave. He is three months into a five-year contract. He is

happy.
Actually, he looked more indignant than happy, but that is not the point, nor is the fact that somebody said he wanted to move on. These things happen all the time. More interesting is the fact that some-body wants to buy Berkovic — West Ham have already rejected an offer of £4.5 million for him this season - and that the player is keen to stay put. He knows a good thing when he sees it.

These are promising times at Upton Park and the sense of confidence is almost tangible. Give me another striker and we'll be there," Harry Redknapp, the manager, said later. "I am happy with what I've got, they are good players." Lomas came in for special praise and so did Berkovic. "He's the icing on the cake, he adds that little extra class, that little bit of magic. You need somebody to unlock doors and he has the ability to do that." And if someone wants to buy him? "There are a few players here that people would love to buy now, it's a sign of a

Yet, much as the game turned on

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the contribution of Berkovic, who was outstanding, the little Israeli can claim only some of the credit for West Ham's win. Most must go hand it to them on a plate as chuck. it at them. "We lacked selfdiscpline," Colin Todd, their manager, said and never was a truer word or four spoken in a press

In the first half they were fine, but while Todd was patting backs at half-time, a red mist was descending on the pitch and when his players ran out for the second period, they sucked in great lungfuls of it. Most became fractious, with Taggari, the huge central defender, the worst offender. First, he started a pushing match with a largely innocent team-mate, Frandsen, then joined in when Holdsworth and Ferdinand exchanged views. Finally, charging in on a Sellars free kick, he launched himself at Forrest, the West Ham goalkeeper, who, grounded at the foot of a post, protested and was promptly attacked for his troubles. Taggart was sent off, presumably to face a club fine and a course in anger

Yet he deserves a plea in mitigation. For an hour, he had been heroic, waging a lone battle against Hartson and Dowie. Outnumbered, frustrated and tiring, it was a battle he had begun to lose and three minutes before his dismissai, West Ham had taken the lead. Berkovic prodding the ball in With Taggart gone, Bolton were pretty much defenceless against the big men and Hartson made the most of it, scoring twice to take his tally for the season to 12. True, Branagan let Hartson's second slip through his hands, but that was just embarrassing, not decisive.

WEST HAM UNITED (3-4-1-2) C Forest — Potts. R Ferdinand, D Unsworth — F Lampard, Lornes. J Moncur, K Rowland — E Berhovic — Down, J Hatton SOLTON WANDERSRS (4-4-2) K Branagan — Philips, G Bergsson, G Teggart, M Whitlow — Pullock, P Francisson, A Thorrason (sub: I Johansen, Sehnin), S Selfars — P Beardsley (sub: McGarlley, 78), D Holdsworth.

Kendall frustrated by Everton's inconsistency

old, and, perched precariously on his dad's shoulders, the boy was probably not even of an age to know what he was chanting. Blond hair, wide blue eyes filled with laughter, it was the spectacle, the occasion that excited him as he squeaked in the falsetto of youth:
"Can we play you every week."

From the mouths of innocents. Wrapped in the blue of his father's Everton, the youngster was enjoying the sight of hunched Liverpool players trooping on to their bus outside Goodison Park, a broken

He had taken up his cry from the mob around him. It has not been easy being an Everton supporter these past few years, but there was plenty to enjoy here as, grim-set, each Liverpool player filed by.

You should have put that handage over your mouth, ince," they shrieked, and "you've emptied the pie shop. Ruddock." Revelry at its .. Then it started again, the one

about playing their neighbours weekly. It was meant as a gibe at the lack of commitment in the Liverpool side, a lack of passion in the heat of the derby. And it was true, painfully true, for the red half of the city. As Roy Evans, the Liverpool manager, said afterwards: "It was not good enough for Liverpool Football Club."

But equally, their gibe could have been taken as a sideways reference to their team. Remember Alex Ferguson's comments about Leeds United that sparked Kevin Keegan's on-screen meltdown? The psychology obscured a very good point, namely that professionals are cheating if they are only

motivated for the big games. Well. Everion's players have been cheating. The fact that they played so well against Liverpool served merely to emphasise farther their incompetence of recent weeks. If they show this level of commitment in a derby match, then why not against Coventry City in the







EVERTON 2 LIVERPOOL 0 By David Maddock

It was a point that Howard Kendall, the Everton manager, was keen to emphasise after a satisfying afternoon's work. "Yes, we played very well; it was almost everyt you would have wished for on the day," he said. "But it's consistency I'm after. It's no good doing it for

one match. "I think the incident at Coventry shows that I care and maybe that my players don't. They picked ves up for this game, but then you expect commitment in a me consistency, because I know

Look at Duncan Ferguson. He was awesome, he won everything, he worked hard and showed real commitment. But I don't want a No 9 who just plays in derby games and the big games. I need one who will give it to me every week. Certain players have now set themselves standards and they need to maintain them."

Ferguson ran Liverpool ragged and his teenage sidekick, Danny Cadamarteri, finished them off. The young forward only turned 18a week ago, but he displayed a maturity that belied his years. His pace troubled the visiting defence all afternoon and ended the match as a contest when, on 75 minutes, he sped away from Kvarme, turned Ruddock inside out and shot coolly past James

That goal gave Everton the cushion their performance de-served. A Ruddock own goal on the stroke of half-time had given the

tenuous one as Liverpool nearly contrived to get back into the game almost in spite of themselves. Had Mike Reed, the referee, spotted a Barrett handball on the goalline from an Ince header a minute before Cadamarteri's goal, then

they would have shared the spoils. It would have been something of a travesty. On chances, Liverpool probably shaded it, although Cadamarteri still might have had a hat-trick. But they were outfought in midfield and once again their defence was exposed as a creaking door, left invitingly ajar. Unless Evans can remedy the situation quickly by purchasing a centre half, the trophy-room will

remain a desert for another season. EVERTON (4-4-2): N Southell — E Berret, i Watson, C Short, A Hinchelife — G Stuart, Villiamson, G Speed, J Oster (sub: G McCarn 67mm) — D Perguson, D Cadamarteri (sub i

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Ray Wallace, of Stoke City, celebrates his 51st-minute goal against Charlton yesterday in a 1-1 draw at The Valley. Photograph: Ben Radford/Allsport

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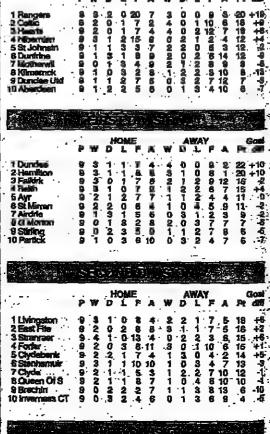
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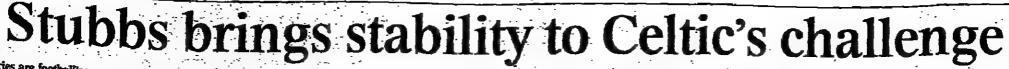
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KEVIN McCARRA

Scottish

njuries are football's ver-sion of an opinion poil. Some players can lie stricken on the turf and the supporters will only grouch over the delay in restarting the match. Then there are the favoured members of the team. Should one of them be flattened, it takes the perimeter barriers to prevent the crowd from gathering round

like anxious relatives. If Alan Stubbs's head had not been throbbing at the time, he might have relished his new popularity. During the first half of Celtic's 2-I victory over Heart of Midlothian at Tynecastie, he sustained a whack on the face and, later, a blow to the leg. On each occasion, it appeared

half might have to be

Stubbs's recovery was a matter of jubilant relief for his club's followers, but the concern for his wellbeing is a recent development. Although the crowd's affection for certain footballers is genuine, it is also underpinned by self-interest. Fans are most concerned with the welfare of the figures that can ensure healthy results.

With Stubbs typifying an unrelepting Celtic defence, it looked impossible for Hearts to score until Tom Boyd's sketchy header introduced a moment of confusion that left the ball at Colin Cameron's

goal reduced the deficit to 2-1, but the Edinburgh side never hinted that they were capable of an equaliser.

... Although a transfer can be conducted swiftly, there can he a long delay before the signing's full talents are delivered. When Stubbs was acquired by Tommy Burns, the previous Celtic manager. from Bolton Wanderers for £3.5 million in the summer of 1996, he became one of the most expensive centre halves in the world and supporters of the Glasgow chib devoted the close season to gloating.

The memory bank was barely

commentary. recollections were of the FA Cum in 1994 when Bolton heat Arsenal and Aston Villa, with None of them was liable to the defender's skimming free admit that, in fact, they knew precious little about Stubbs. of the latter tie. That year,

were wholly unprepared for the injuries and errors that took up much of his first season in Scotland. Only now, when he is in good form and need not fear that explanations will be treated as excuses, does Stubbs admit how hard he found it to acclimatise to Glasgow, Having been cosseted at Bolton, be was not ready for the scalding condemnation that

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exapts from Old Firm rivalry. There were family problems, too, and those have only slowly been overcome. No matter how much money is bid in the transfer market, certainty is not for sale. The twists of circumstance and the covered by warranty. Unpredictability, though, also ensures that players are not to be written off lightly.

Celtic may be pleasantly surprised to find that Stubbs. after all, is equipped to add acumen to the defence. The Englishman has been assisted by the arrival, from West Ham United, of Marc Rieper. since the muscular newcomer plays with a harsh simplicity that often leaves Stubbs in tession of the ball and free

carry play forward. Like Stubbs, Celtic have made sudden progress and the orderly approach of Wim the head coach, promises that there will be

Nonetheless, some routines are hard to break. Rangers may have been castigated for several weeks, but they have still hauled themselves to the top of the table. On Saturday, they defeated Dunfermline Athletic 7-0 and Marco Negri's four goals took his wonderful, if outlandish, total for the season to 22.

In scoring twice, though, it was Paul Gascoigne who engaged the supporters' emotions and increased their agi-tation. His future will remain in doubt as long as English dubs express interest and Rangers refuse to insist that he honours a contract signed only a few months ago.

we need is a winning team." The pressure applied by the situation was etched on McGhee's

taut face as he prowled the touch-

line. As his chairman said: "Being a

football manager is the last job I

would have in the world. I don't just feel for him. I feel for his family."

It hardly helped that the match had more mood swings than a

convention of schizophrenics. Doug-

ie Freedman needed only 11 minutes

of his Wolves debut to score, but

Chris Hay equalised from the

penalty spot after Steve Bull was

sent off for his violent reaction to the

two-footed foul that resulted in the

combative image of their manager.

'My ambition is to

Swindon, a team built in the

dismissal of Lee Collins.

Kinsella makes a point for Charlton

Charlton Athletic ..

Stoke City ..

BY RUSSELL KEMPSON

TWO months into the season, the top of the Nationwide League first division is starting to take shape. Long odds could have been obtained on Charlton Athletic or Stoke City being among the early frontrunners but there they are, mixing it with the bigger boys and deservedly so.

Whether they can retain such lofty positions — Charlton are fourth, Stoke seventh - is a most question. As their squads are stretched to the limit, the money men of Middlesbrough, Wolverhampton Wanderers and Queens Park Rangers might just pass them by.

At The Valley yesterday, Chariton and Stoke presented their credentials. It was not one of their better days, with more graft than craft and too much possession wasted, but there were enough glimpses of individual ability to bode well for the future - most notably, Keen's calm assurance in the Stoke midfield and Andrade's energy up front; Robinson's trickery on the Charlton flanks and Kinsella's elongat-

ed runs from deep.
The last thing I wanted was for Stoke to score first." Alan Curbishley, the Charlton manager, said. "I knew they would be very difficult to break down if that happened, and so it proved, but we got back into it by playing good, patient football, not just by lumping the ball into the box. That pleased me."

After a much-of-a-muchness first half, in which neither goalkeeper was seriously tested, Stoke went ahead in the fiftieth minute. Kavanagh passed to the edge of the area and Wallace unleashed a fierce. 25-yard drive that flew past Petterson, who hardly

Charlton responded with vigour. Muggleton having to dive low to keep out a longrange effort from Holmes. Robinson time and again attacked along the right wing. sending over a series of crosses, but Stoke held firm. "I thought we defended very well," Chic Bates, the Stoke manager, said.

Twelve minutes from the Muggleton seemed to have covered Kinsella's shot but it deflected off Wallace and looped over his head. It was Kinsella's first goal of the season and a possible reminder to Mick McCarthy, the Ireland manager, that he is still available to play for his

Of the pair, Stoke - with several injury worries — might find it the most difficult to maintain their progress. CHARLTON ATHLETIC (4-4-2): A Peterson:— M Bowan, R Rutus, P Chapple, A Banesa — S Newton (sub: M Holmes, S Time), K Jones, M Kinsela, J Roberson:— S Jones (sub: B Allan, 76), C Mendonca. STOKE CITY (4-1) C Muggleton — A Pickenng, L Sigurdeson, S Tweed, A Griffin — G Kavarnagh, K Keen, R Walace, R Forsyth — J Andrade roub P Macan, 89), G McMalzon (subt.) Whittle, 89)

Michael Calvin at Molineux sees a win that buys time for chairman and manager

there had even been talk of

Stubbs playing for England.

Uneasy truce at the house that Jack built

The roar of relief, amplified by a mage of graffiti-scarred alleyways behind the Billy Wright Stand, was timeless. It carried 600 yards from Molineux into Dunstall Road and the back garden of Rosedale, an oldred-bricked house that has been efedeveloped as a refuge for social-

Sir Jack Hayward was born there in the spring of 1923. He was weared on Wolverhampton Wanderers and the accompanying sounds of mass celebration and communal commiseration. Age excuses the romantic assertion that, with a following wind, he could smell the embrocation from the

The football club enshrines seminal childhood memories, such as crawling beneath a turnstile to watch an FA Cup tie with Grimsby Town in 1930. He and his cousin hung from a corrugated from fence symbol of his success and the enduring power of reciprocal loyalty. A recent survey ranked him as the 117th richest person in Britain. The £40 million he has given to Wolves, in a vain attempt to buy a place in the FA Carling Premier-ship, is a fraction of the fortune earned in property development and the offshore investment industry:

On Saturday, making one of his intermittent returns from tax exile in the Bahamas, he was transported back through the generations. When Wolves had completed a cathartic 3-1 victory over Swindon Town he was as excitant as any schoolboy, but the strains of a martic match were obvious.

months ago," he said, tapping his chest. "It got more use in the first 45 minutes today than ever before Football involves you physically and mentally. You know the players. You know their wives. They are friends, and it makes a tremendous difference not to see them suffer."

Frustration, a by-product of tradition and unfulfilled ambition. suffuses Molineux. The stadium, which resembled a siven during the dark days of bankruptcy a decade ago, is immaculate. The supporters retain a touching faith in the certainty of progress, even if they need constant reassurance that midtable mediocrity in the Nationwide League first division is a passing.

The pressure on Sir Jack to sack



Sir Jack Hayward may wield the power at Wolverhampton Wanderers, but he is a fan at heart. Photograph: Stuart Harrison

Mark McGhee, his manager. reached a crescendo after the midweek Coca-Cola Cup defeat away to Reading. Self-serving speculation that either Ron Atkinson or David Platt would come to the rescue merely added to the manufactured sense of crisis. "It's my fault," Sir Jack insisted as he sipped tea in a quiet corner of the boardroombefore the match on Saturday. "I'm the culprit because I'm imparient. At 742 years of age I've not got too much time to go. My ambition is to lift the FA Cup. Soon I won't be strong enough to hold the bloody

"I always try to keep a sense of."

perspective; but I'm dying to have my, moment of glory like Jack Walker or Sir John Hall. We've put similar sums into our clubs and they we had their great hour in the sun. I've not."

He smiled, illuminating a kindly, owlish face. He became chairman only six weeks ago and his instinct, that change could be counter-productive, survived three successive defeats. His dilemma, that to say so publicly would be misinterpreted as the dreaded vote of confidence, was difficult to resolve.

He convened a meeting of staff and players on Friday, called for solidarity and sanctioned pro- porter urging you to keep faith. It

gramme notes stressing his "un-equivocal" support for McGhee. A direct plea for understanding from the fans, they were signed, simply, Your fellow supporter. Jack." The subsequent four-hour board meeting was designed to emphasiae the long-term philosophy of the club. He confirmed details of a three-year business plan with John Richards, the new chief executive, and ratified a new five-year contract for Robbie

Keane, the Irish midfield player, "You get so much advice in this job, all of it conflicting," he said. "For everyone who tells you to sack the manager there is another supshows how much everyone cares about the club. They live it.

The average supporter pays his money. Why should he not have his say? After all, he puts several hundred pounds into the club every year and so probably puts a greater percentage of his wealth into it than

"People say I'm to blame for restoring the ground before the team, but how could we persuade a player of quality to come here when the dressing-rooms were under water whenever it rained? How could they not notice the rats running around or the dank musty

smell of the offices? We're now a

lift the Cup. Soon I won't be strong enough to hold the bloody thing'

Steve McMahon, were reduced to nine men when Casper was dis-missed for his second bookable offence. Curie's near-post header, augmented by Simpson's outrageous 40-yard chip, ensured that joy

"You're gonna get the sack," the Swindon fans chanted, out of spite rather than common sense. The home crowd responded by spitting more of a growl than a chant. "We needed a good win like this to restore morale," Sir Jack said. "I think the messages asking for solidarity helped. Mark has admitted his failings and people tend to

take notice of that." When Sir Jack went back to Rosedate, for old time's sake, he asked a bemused nurse to allow him into the back garden. "It's so much smaller than it seemed when I was a boy," he said. But you can still hear every roar, every moan, from

Molineux. Lovely, isn't it?" WOLVERHAMPTON WANDERERS (4:2-1-2), M Stowell — M Attars, A Williams, K Curle, D Kubicki (sub: L Naytor, Sahrin) — C Robinson, D Forguson, P Sampson — R Keine (sub: D Foley, 74) — D Preschman, S Bull Programm, Subm. (3-5-2): F Digby — C Taylor, C Casper, I Culverhouse — T Gooder, M Weiters (sub. A Meechan, 89), L Collins, S Leitich (sub. F Hufber, 36), D Burrows — C Hey, W Allson

Nomads lost and miles from home

Brighton ... Exeter City.

BY IVO TENNANT

EXETER CITY have an incomparable record away from home in the Nationwide League this season. Their manager, Peter Fox, thinks it is the best of any club in the world, but that is another matter. Whatever, five vic-tories in six matches is quite something for a team that, at the start of the season, was properted to finish somewhere mear the foot of the third

were not merely expected to be at the bottom with them: everybody knew they would be there. For a ream with such a proud past to have to play in another county is bad enough. A move to Woking, as is envisaged, would merely mean going from Kent to Surrey, it must be hurtful that the one chub in Sussex that. could have permanently accommodated them, Crawley Town, have no intention of

What is more, Crawley have a new stadium. Brighton would have been prepared to pay for the necessary adjustments but the local council. which owns the ground, is not interested. So Woking it will have to be, followed, perhaps. by somewhere farther away. On the pitch, Gillingham's pitch. Brighton gave away

goals through sloppy defend-

ing. In the past, the supporters would have reacted by hurling abuse and even freworks at David Bellotti, the reviled chief executive. But he has and Doncaster Rovers, the bottom two clubs in the division, attracted more.

Rowbotham, who is in his second spell with Exeter, scored the first of his two goals when Ormerod was too slow to react to Morris's back-pass. He then scored from the penalty spot early in the second half after Allan had crudely brought down Flack, whom he was shepherding towards the byline.

Brighton had their chances. Maskell, indeed, had two in the opening minute, one of which was headed off the line by Fry. He had a further shot. a curling drive, tipped away by Bayes in the second half Four minutes later, Gale added a third for Exeter with a volley on the edge of the penalty area from Williams's

DESTER CITY (5-2-3): A Bayes — G Fry. M Bulso, L Berteley, J Fintercon, & Gate— M Destin, J Gardner — D Rowtoners, B Stack, J Williams.

Government set to tackle hooligans

A last a British Govern-ment seems ready to take responsible action

Tony Banks, on whom it has been open season since he was appointed to the Ministry of Guffaws, on Saturday pledged himself and the Prime Minister to an all-out Rob Hughes on moves at last by the Sports

assault on the hooligans. "The Prime Minister made it clear that, at the end of November. he wants a strategy for France," said Banks, speaking of the inevitable collision the 1998 World Cup.

committing indiscriminate violations in Rome for days before their provocation

and Flemming wasted good chances. They then went ahead, after half-time when

Akozmosh burst through the

middle and struck a left-foot

shot past Hunwick.

aroused the police to equally indiscriminate baton charges, Banks acknowledged: "There are some very serious people out there, troublemakers at-

an Italian journalist rather

has thus surely voiced the only solution. We must prevent decent lans from being assailed abroad, but must also act against the criminals. The Minister admits that

there are 400 exclusion orders for football-related violence in operation, but only six restriction orders preventing those of this country. It is time that the civil liberties defenders take a back seat; time to use the full force of Government authority to prevent those hundreds of so-called fans from leaving these shores.

We, the majority of citizens must now ensure that there is no going back for the Prime Minister and the Minister for

manager, could afford a wry

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content for Taylor "I thought we showed a lot of guts," Billy Bonds, the Millwall manager, said. "The

Familiarity breeds

By BILL EDGAR

one likes us" that filled Vicarage Road on Saturday might once have struck a chord with Graham Taylor, But no more, For Taylor, whose feat of taking Watford from the fourth division to top flight runners-up and earned him an ill-fated spell as manager of England, has retrodden the vellow brick road to Elton John's welcoming Nationwide League club and found there's no place like home.

THE Millwall chants of "no

And familiarity has bred the contentment of a place at the top of the second division. Sadly for Taylor, however, he found Millwall unwilling to play the role of cowardly Lions as they fought off a late assault to inflict Watford's first home defeat of the season.

last 20 minutes were a bit of an onslaught but we showed great character." At the heart of Millwall's rearguard action was Brian Law, the 27-year-old centre back, who was forced to quit football through injury five years ago. Two years later, having recovered fitness and

money he had collected, Law had his career revived by Taylor at Wolves, where he stayed for three seasons before movine to Millwall. Taylor was in a mood to forgive his players afterwards, pointing out: "It is the first time that they've really disappointed me this season, so that's fair enough I suppose." The only goal came in the 37th minute through a low

Millwall from Arsenal for £500,000 last month. Nevertheless, Watford are in good shape. Elton John, whose deeds as chairman recently won him the freedom of the town, believes Taylor's return has meant "the heart of the club is beating soundly ≇gain".

shot from the edge of the area

by Paul Shaw, who joined

WATFORD (4-4-2)* A Chambertain — N Globs (sub: S Palmer, 78min), R Page, K Millen, T Mooney (sub: D Thomas, 78) — S Stater (sub: G Noel-Williams, 50), M Hyde,

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gone now. The crowd of 2,210 were simply stupelied in the warm sunshine. Even the meeting between Darlington

Brighton and Hove Albioni

Reinelt's deflected goal 11 minutes from the end was too late to affect the outcome or alter the impression that Brighton's nomadic story is winding to an inexorable end. BRIGHTON (4-4-2); M Omerod — J Humphrey, M Monts, D Alan, K Mayo — P Amerong, J Minon, J Weston, V Gielson (sub: R Heinelt, 57min) — C Maskell, I Baird

t last a British Govern-Minister to curb fans' criminal excesses

to prevent hooligans from disparaging England's reputation overseas. If anything good could come from the evil aftermath of that sad night in Rome, it must be that the forces of authority in effect quarantine the thugs who, over the past 20 years, have marauded in cities abroad to commit violence and to get away with acts that have been virtually policed out of this country.

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BY WALTER GAMMIP

FIVE months ago, Geoff

Chapple, as manager of

Woking, lifted the FA Umbro

Trophy at Wembley for the

third time in four years. On

Saturday, his Kingstonian

side lost in the first qualifying

round at the resplendent new

It was a tough defeat to take

for a man lured from the

Vauxhall Conference back to

the Isthmian League by a four-

year contract. Kingstonian had belatedly shaken a sterile

first half to life as Patterson

Broadfield Stadium.

awaiting England supporters from the French riot police at In contrast to the naivety of David Mellor, using his BBC chatline to accuse Italian police of barbarity and refusing to accept evidence that England's unwashed were

taching themselves to the England team. There is no way we will allow them to spoil the World Cup; that would also spoil England's bid for 2006. If they want to take on the power of State, only the State will ultimately Banks, who when in Rome deliberately chose to sit next to

than anyone from England.

Crawley dent Chapple's Trophy record hit the underside of the bar with a shot on the turn, Abbey. on the break, was foiled by

> Garland hit a free kick against a post, but Crawley, of the referee, heartened by his the Dr Martens League, did not threaten Kingstonian's superiority until Patterson was sent off after collecting a second yellow card when not

remeating at a free kick. Crawley immediately equalised when Hawtheane's fine cross from the left was met at the far post by Mackie and they took the lead with a penalty by Riley after Evans brought down Kirkland. The finale was frantic. Akuamosh

John's legs, Evans's header was blocked by a flying Hunwick and Riley, with a locked knee, left on a stretcher. Chapple was furious with

side's commitment and perturbed by a mounting injury list that has denied him an entire forward line, Ndah, Dennis and, most notably. Leworthy, who is expected to miss six weeks after a cartilage operation. A defeat for Dagenham and Redbridge that reined in their runaway gallop at the head of Isthmian League was the good news. Billy Smith, the Crawley

light of "his season and five matches in charge at Kingstonian, and covets him still. A recent inquiry, Smith said, with eyebrows raised. elicited an asking price of £70,000.

CRAINLEY TOWN (4-4-2): C Humatck — J Macket, M Pullan, A Ritey, J Gregory — I Payne, P Garland, M Hawforne, S Enemo Just J Kirkland, (8tmin) — C Whampton (auto B Abbey, 49), J Wawden (sufo M Junes 40) JOHNS TO PARKET, TO, ST. J. John — T. Evans. Jones, 49; G. S. J. John — T. Evans. L. Wye, M. Crossley — D. Hooper, K. Raitray, G. Pather, G. Patheran, C. Luckett — E. Akkamoch, D. Planting (sub. D. Brieth, Gr). Padacane

'It would be:

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present of

my life'

Ferrari president prepares to take a back seat

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not even in the land where, next Sunday, his definitive race will be run. Luca Cordero di Montezemolo is 50. The Ferrari motor racing legend is 50. And Montezemolo, now the company president, assesses the chances of restoring Ferrari to the Formula studying international commercial

One drivers' championship title on Sunday as 50-50.

i am calm today," he said, trying to The last race, in Suzuka, was pressure. We had to win, and we did it. So, we

race in Jerez, in Spain, not in any Lauda and Jody Scheckter, Montkind of panic. For sure, we are working day and night for the result. It would be fantastic to win in Ferrari's fiftieth year ... but I know that we are on the top level of competing, I do not worry for

But he does, Montezemolo is a

e waits on destiny, waits man made thin by worry, his alone in a darkened room successes have been driven by a nervous energy. When he drove Lancia raily cars, he was sometimes more fast than temperate, he either won or he crashed. That endeared him to Enzo Ferrari, who called him at Columbia University in New York, where he was

> law, and persuaded him to be his personal assistant and in 'A photograph time to become of the old man Ferrari obsession. reminds him the legend. The last time that

of the legacy . Ferrari was omnipotent in Formula One, the days of Niki

ezemolo, working under Ferrari, was team manager. He left to orchestrate the World Cup in Italy in 1990, working again with visible nervous combustion to produce an event free of the sort of shambolic ticketing and police brutality wit-nessed when England played in

organise the one and only Italian sailing campaign for the America's Cup. But cars were in his blood, particularly the red blood of

Almost six years ago, Gianni Agnelli, the other man who had placed almost patriarchal faith in Montezemolo, "gave" him the presidency of the Ferrari company the racing machines and the international business - some

three years after Enzo Ferrari died. At Maranello, the factory and nerve centre of Ferrari. Mont-ezemolo will sit this week in the president's office, the link between past and future. A photograph of the old man, Enzo Ferrari, staring at him behind the inevitable dark

Yet as the minutes tick by, as the week accelerates towards the Jerez track in Andulucia, Montezemolo will become increasingly isolated. deliberately withdrawn.



encounters a driving force

ment to be to Ferrari what Severiano Ballesteros was to the Europe Ryder Cup team at Valderrama, in that same Andalucia region of southern Spain. Yet Montezemolo knows himself; he knows that his fretful, brooding

multimillion-pound enterprise, for which he personally chose the designers, the mechanics and the drivers, Michael Schumacher and

"As always, I will watch the race from my home in Bologna, all alone, or with my son." His son. Matteo, 19, and a student at Bologna University, was 12 when his father ran the gauntlet of Italians carrying banners "Montezemolo, assassino", banners protesting at the deaths of 24 construction workers during the hurried building of 1990 World

Montezemolo has grown to realise that time is the friend and the enemy. "I was born in 1947, the first year of Ferrari," he said. "It would be the best present of my life if Michael [Schumacher] becomes world champion this weekend. We are living a huge moment, and if more than I imagined at the start of the season."

If you want to change the

Point out to him that Schumacher, a genius at the wheel but ruthless in pursuit of the prize, allegedly took Damon Hill off the track to win the championship in similar circumstances, when he was lead-1994, and ing narrowly in

Montezemolo responds with the darkest of Latin stares. He knows there are two Ferraris on the track, and two Williams. He concedes that Williams are already the again this season,

and he hears the public sugges tions, emanating from Williams that Schumacher might, in a word. cheat. Montezemolo replies that . still only second best." there is enough difficulty preparing a Formula One car to complete the race, enough danger among men driving with strict honour. without anyone resorting to such

positive outlook of the president, aggressive tactics. And he knows, simply mention the skullduggery as a Lancia driver who either won of modern Formula One racing ar crashed, that there is little a mere president can do to suppress what drives the competitive man atthe wheel

Montezemolo's mission was to create new Ferraris for the road, todone in China: to prepare the company for the 21st

century. He feels that is on course, he craves the competitive aura to go with it. If he needs further motivation, if came in the stern words of Agnelli, who, as Ferrari advanced from two seconds off

the pace in Montezemolo's first year to parity with Williams today. said: "It is getting better ... but

On Sunday, in the ancestral home that Montezemolo has restored, only the son can share the emotions, up and down, of the

ATHLETICS: EVANS SIXTH BEHIND FIVE AFRICANS IN MEN'S EVENT

Sutton storms clear to stage action replay in Chicago

ATHLETICS CORRESPONDENT IN CHICAGO

MARIAN SUTTON, her face covered in blood, retained her Chicago Marathon title here yesterday with the most convincing and courageous per-formance of her life. Sutton broke away from the field at 17 miles and quickly built a comfortable lead, after which only a nosebleed stepped between her and victory.

She looked like she had taken on Lennox Lewis," Bud Baldaro. Sutton's coach, who was following the race on a bicycle, observed. Not that she ever looked close to the ropes. Sutton, a 34-year-old solicitor's secretary from West Looe, Cornwall, won by 21/2 minutes, setting a personal best 2hr 29min 03sec.

Sutton's victory was in stark contrast to last year when, trailing the leader by half a minute in the 24th mile, she did not hit the front until a mile from home. On that occasion Sutton began as an she set out as favourite and carried the weight on her shoulders admirably.

How this contrasted with her failure in the London Marathon last April when she finished twentieth, blaming her obsession with breaking 2hr 30min. She came here determined not to be governed by time and to concentrate on running a tactical race.

"In London the situation got to her," Baldaro said. "This time she was calm and composed. We subdivided the race into three sections, using the first eight miles to get rid of the lethargy and the second section to get into a rhythm. We knew if she went for it at 17 miles, she could hold it to the finish.

Although Christine McNamara, of the United States, began to pull away at eight miles. Sutton refused to be drawn. Within two miles, the group was back with McNamara and, at the half-marathon, reached in in 1:14:10, five contenders remained: Sutton.

Denmark, Lornah Kiplagat, of Kenya, and Elaine Van Blunk, of the United States.

When Sutton made her break, so effective was it that, within 600 metres, she had opened up 20 metres on Karlshoj, who was running second, with the others strung out behind. Karlshoj went on to finish runner-up in 2:31:31

with Irena Bogacheva, Ukraine, third in 2:32.45. While Sutton gave British athletics a boost after a morale-sapping week, Paul Evans was unable to do the same. Evans, also here as defending champion, finished sixth, but that said more about the quality of the opposition

than his own performance. Evans was within half a minute of his 1996 time here, recording 2hr 9min 20sec, but was beaten by five Africans. At the head of the parade was

occo, in his first marathon.

Khannouchi broke away in the 23rd mile and, running his second half-marathon in 1:03:00, went on to record the fourth fastest time in history, breaking the course record held by Steve Jones, of Great Britain, since 1985. Khannauchi, recorded 2:07:10, 20 seconds outside the world best held by Belayneh Densimo, of Ethiopia. "The main goal was to finish the race and to get the xperience, " Khannouchi said.

Jon Brown, of Britain, the European cross country chamoion, also ran his first marathon, finishing ninth in 2:10.13: Given his broken build-up, suffering hip and toe injuries, he cannot be disappointed.

While Sutton's time bonus was worth only \$4,000 on top of her \$50,000 winner's purse, Khannouchi's was worth as much as his prize-money. The Moroccan earned \$50,000 for his victory, \$50,000 for breaking 2:07.30 and in the region of \$40.000 from his kit sponsor for such a fast run.



Sutton raises her arms in triumph as she retains her Chicago Marathon title

SNOOKER

Parrott puts Morgan to flight

BUCKING a trend that has seen a host of prominent players already eliminated from the tournament, John Parrott whitewashed Brian Morgan 5-0 to reach the last lo of the Grand Prix at

Bournemouth yesterday. Parrott has won 13 tournaments during his career but only three on home soil, one of them on a visit to the South Coast resort in February 1994 for the International Open:

"I like the atmosphere of respond to." Parrott said after an assured performance dur ing which he compiled breaks of 72, 60, 55 and 54 to lead 40 before clearing the colours to steal the fifth on the black. He now plays Paul Hunter, who had runs of 89 and 85 to complete a 5-L victory over Stephen Lee, the No 16 seed.

It was a result that strongly suggests that Parrott, the world No.6, is determined to take advantage of the fact that Stephen Hendry, Ken Doherty, Peter Ebdon, Steve Davis and Mark Williams, the title-holder, have all been

Dominic Dale, the world No 54, on Saturday after leading 2-0. Annoyed with his overall display and, specificalby, a glaring error when in sight of a 3-2 lead, Davis confined his answers to "yes" and "no" at the post-match press conference.

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Bowled over as end-to-end drama unfolds

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hen a sport takes up a significant part of think I started the week not for good television. As either Grandstand and yet knowing who Les Gillett was. struggles to make a single paragraph in the Sunday. papers, something odd is clearly going on. It was -indoor bowls, which for years has been telling us what a young and energetic sport it is. only to find its newly revived open championship is sponsored by Bupa Care Homes. After all that hard work, too.

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That said, it is only on Grandstand, when one's expectations are still for something outdoor and vigorous, that indoor bowls looks seri-ously out of place. For the rest of last week, it propped up BBC2 afternoon schedules as effectively as any snooker tour-

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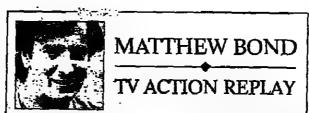
By the close of play yesterday, I knew a little more. He is 26 but looks older, once harboured ambitions to be a driving instructor and was only at the Preston Guild Hall because he had won four qualifying matches at Blackpool. As Dougie Donnelly politely put it yesterday after-noon, after Gillett had beaten his fourth world champion of the week: "Where have you been - with the greatest respect, most of us have never heard of you?" Practising,

Aware of the problem that the BBC has filling its live sports schedule, the bowls authorities have worked hard

Davidson, the lead commentators, would patiently explain from time to time, the 21-up set had gone, replaced by a sevenup, best-of-live-sets format that could produce a winner in ... well, that's still anybody's

On Saturday evening, for instance. David Gourlay's semi-final against Andy Thomson lasted almost four hours, with Gourlay recovering from two sets to one down. and 6-1 and set shot against him in the fourth. I remember it clearly, because that is when I switched over, assuming Thomson had won.

At the other end of the time-



ued at the speed he bigan the memorable replay of the after-final, the entire match could noon was not one of Gourlay's have been settled inside 45 minutes. As it was, it took Gillett roughly twice as long to come back from losing the first end 40 and recover from a nightmare mistake at the end of the third set that Rhys Jones and his co-commentator, Mal Hughes, took a couple of seconds to spot.

explained to Donnelly that there had been "a lot of excitement out there". believed him, but by now I had seen enough to know that the revised, telegenic format does ensure a regular supply of drama. On Friday afternoon, for instance, Gillett had also supplied it when he took on the reigning world champion. Hugh Duff. With Gillen leading two sets to love, Duff saved the match with a full house. "Is that a turning point for Duff?" asked a voice that was either Bell or Hughes - it is difficult to tell their voices apart. One end later came the MILWET: NO.

Chrysalis Sport, the same company that does Formula One for ITV, has been producing indoor bowls for the BBC for some years and has it pretty much down to a fine art by now. The camera-work is straightforward but effective, with a frequently used picturein-picture effect allowing us to follow both the course of the bowl and its deliverer's emotions at the same time.

As is customary at all sports events now, one camera's job is to pick out friends and relations, of players, sitting in the audience. As is not customary, however, is how cleverly the cameras avoided any wide shots of the audience itself. Was this because of the handful of empty seats that would occasionally creep into the background, or something to do with the average age of

Certainly from the one or two glimpses we were granted, indoor bowls appears to be a sport still in transition -

those there.

players, but watched by an audience best described as mature. No fools, these sponsors, are they?

The commentary style is also well judged. Although there is a slight tendency to get hogged down in the internal politics of bowls — if we heard about the Professional Bowls Association once, we heard it a hundred times - both Rhys Jones and Davidson provide regular recaps of the rules.

A couple of afternoons in their company and you'll be talking jack tactics and carpet speeds with the best of them. Passing on that illusion of inside knowledge is what good commentary on lesser-known sports is all about. All round, a good effort - especially by Gillett.

Skywalking, palming, bank-shots . . . basketball's finest leave no word undunked in Paris match

noon was not one of Gourlay's

extraordinary run of defeat-

delaying drives but of Gillett

conceding the set by kicking

away his opponent's bowl,

only to discover - too late - that he himself still had a shot

to play. A relieved Gillett later

Bulls hit town for lesson in jargon

airily to the chap beside me (who happened to be a scout for the National Basketball Association), "that after his pump fake, Michael Jordan burles his jumper when he's already stopped skywalking. Which is the secret of his success, I suppose?"

The NBA scout shook his head and for the umpteenth time that day drew a diagram on a scrap of paper. Here we were at the Palais Omnisports at Bercy in Paris. ignoring a beautiful autumn day to sit inside a hideously overlit sports hall and watch the Chicago Bulls beat the world at basketball in the McDonald's championship. It had been an instructive day. I had seen Italians beat Spanish and learnt the entertaining fact that virtually all their players hailed from Yugoslavia. In the final (Bulls versus Olympiakos Piraeus) only one player in the Piraeus team had the right to be called

I had also studied a glossery of NBA terms and was (see above) getting the hang of them. "Burying a jumper has nothing to do with disposing of unwanted Christmas presents, as you might suspect. Oh yes, the price of the Eurostar ticket had been very well justified, indeed.

Now it was time for the scout to set me straight about the aerial trajectory of the most famous sportsman in the world. Apparently I was wrong to think that Jordan shot while descending. He sighed. patiently. "When he releases the ball he's at the top of his jump," he insisted, as the incredible Jordan leapt and scored for the umpteenth time. "Is he?" I said, unconvinced. "You see, I've seen a lot of basketball today ..." The scout looked as though he might break his pencil. "He just looks like he's on the way down because he's falling away." At which point I decided to stop arguing. Good heavens, there's a lot to**TRUSS**



learn in this job. But luckily, on this particular occasion, there was lots of time to learn it. What nobody tells you about basketball is that, yes, it's fast and exciting and played by gigantic men whose shoe size is only one step short of luggage, but it's also (as played by NBA rules) the longest 46 minutes you will experience in your life, because it's forever stopping and restarting. I never thought Its congratulate myself on being able to watch 45 minutes of football all in one go, but compared with watching basketball, it's like sit-ting down to read A Dance to the Music of Time with just the one

cup of cocoa. Every time the play gets interesting in basketball, somebody calls time-out, the clock stops and you get precisely 90 seconds of acrobatics (why?), a pop music introduction (truncated), aerobic jazz dancing or mascot clowning, while boys mop sweat from the floor. This perpetual start-stop is perhaps intended to enhance the drama (and it fits the American television commercials), but it is



sorely irritating. In my naivety, I had assumed a game of four 12-minute quarters would be finished comfortably in an hour. Well, that's Old Maths for you. Thank goodness I hadn't ordered a cab for half past eight.

But at least I now appreciated why an American triend of mine (who came with me to Fulham FC the other week) laughed when I complained I couldn't see a scoreboard. "I think we might be able to remember the number of goals." he jeered when the score stood at 1-0. At baskethall, you see, you are continually checking the clock, monitoring the score and ingesting as many statistics as you have

By the end of the final on Saturday (which the Bulls won 104-78). I was agog to discover that Jordan had scored 27 points, consisting of 11 field goals (22 points) and five free throws. Hoorahi He'd attempted two three-pointers (but not scored them) while also achieving one offensive rebound and four defensive rebounds (totalling five!)

ascinating, ch? Statistics. Rules. In advance of this championship, I had nodded on the train over a table of NBA-FIBA comparative regulations, circling their piddly differences with a resigned expression. But in the heat of contest, all this piddle mattered tremendously. Non-American players are accustomed to 30 seconds' possession before attempting to score (the "hot clock" rule), whereas the McDonald's chooses the NBA

option of 24 seconds. Non-Americans kept dithering and running out of time. Meanwhile, the NBA does not allow "zone defence" (defending in a general way, rather than marking an opponent). Zone defence was permitted on Saturday, so - well, it meant

the rest of the world got a look-in. The Americans were bound to win, however. In the ten-year history of this event, the NBA team (assorted Knicks, Bucks, Nuggets and Rockets) has emerged victorious on every occasion. In press conferences last week, Jordan said he'd hate to let the side down by being the first NBA team not to win - but it was just talk. The miracle is that FIBA, the world governing body, continues to turn up for its ritual pasting. I don't think I would, if I were them. But

then personally I had no idea that baskethall was so inexplicably big in Yugoslavia, or that Michael Jordan was mega-famous globally
— "Michael, Michael" the French crowd roared on Saturday whenever he was having a little rest.

His incontestable supremacy was aided by the non-attendance of his team-mates, Scottie Pippen and Dennis Rodman. People who know about basketball sorely missed those two, but Jordan's talent stood out all the more.

Even as a basketball ignoramus, I was amazed by his ability to run, soar and make plays: and, by all accounts, he wasn't even trying. Marked by two or three men. Jordan could simply reach out an arm, Twizzle-fashion, to catch the ball one-handed ("Palming," the scout told me, and I scribbled it down). Having palmed it. Jordan could then deliver the ball to his team-mates, who were running free elsewhere.

At one point, positioned under the hoop, he reached out and scored backwards with a bankshot, making it look easy. Sorry to get so technical, incidentally. Bank-shot Hark at me.

If only they would play continuously it would be a pretty good game. But to watch it with all its interruptions is like watching a movie when the projector keeps breaking down and is too bloody tiring. In the FIBA system, they play two 20-minute halves, with only two time-outs per half. How miserable that the NBA doesn't do the same. I'm sure it doesn't stop anybody burying jumpers, which is the main thing, after all.

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SPORTS LETTERS

Italian view of **England fans**

From Signor Marco Molla

Sir, I would like to describe what happened in Rome last weekend because there may have been some misreporting. I used to work at the gates of the Olympic Stadium and I live in the centre of Rome (between the Colosseo and the station). I don't think your readers would be happy walking between hundreds of drunk English young men, screaming and insulting normai people, perhaps because they are Italians. I don't think they would be happy either seeing people climbing on monuments, thinking they

because it's not their own country. I don't think it's right that someone like me should be insulted just because I was trying to explain where the gates of the stadium were and how to get there. Also because I did this in English (if the game was in England do you think sumeone would help the strangers in Italian?) and with

can do what they want, just

a large proportion of the I think that a newspaper like yours would be more

interested in the truth than defending these kinds of Best regards,
MARCO MOLLA,

Coca-Cola Cup

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From Mr Richard Wilson Sir, The controversy surrounding recent ties in the so-called Coca-Cola "League" cup reveals it to be the meaningless competition that it is: I do not mean to imply that a lack of European qualification has reduced its status. merely that since the Premiership has become a separate league it is no longer a "League Cup" per se.

There is now a glorious. opportunity to streamline the competition and restrict it to the first, second and third divisions plus the Conference, whose own league cup (being a one-division league) consists of competing against the same clubs they are playing every

The need for two-leg earlier rounds is arguable, but seed-ing could be abolished. This may mean a lower likelihood of drawing a money-spinning big name but with increased possibilities of progression in-

From Mr Magnus K. Moodie

Sir, Seeing that Fifa wish to abolish the tackle in

Association Football makes me realise how far the strategic thinking is in the game of rugby. I am something of a pioneer in this field having last made a tackle in 1973 when my shorts got dirty. I am sure the need to keep clean kit and thus happy kit sponsors is a Fifa priority.

Another reason I desisted from the Victorian bestiality of laying hands on my opponents was the intelligence, vouchsafed by a close friend who is now a dealer in the City of London, that I could "catch tetanus from earthworms". So on both health and aesthetic grounds I abandoned tackling forthwith.

I am pleased to say that my team has this

terest would surely be main-

tained for supporters further

in the season.

Yours sincerely.

14 Trinity Road,

Richmond, .

RICHARD WILSON.

Football dissent

Sir, Graham Ralph, in his

letter in respect of soccer players' attitudes towards

officials (October 13), misses

Punishments for the of-

fences he lists are already in

place, as contained in any

From Mr Derek Burt

one important point.

Sensible notion to ban the dirty tackle America and **Paralympics** season joined me in this progressive effort and

we have the proud record of played six, won nil, for 30, against 175, but we do have nice clean

kits and no players have reported symptoms of

So, while once again claiming for rugby football the credit of forward thinking, I

appland the efforts of Mr Sepp Blaner,

secretary general of Fifa, to turn the rough-

house of soccer into a form of netball played with feet, which will doubtless be highly

marketable, sponsor-friendly and dull as

foul language. When my wife

remonstrated with him she

was told that bad language

was now part of football and if

she didn't like it she should

stay away. The officials' re-

sponse to all this was an

instruction to get on with the

Perhaps those responsible

for providing organised sport-ing activity for those players

should follow that advise and

stay away and let them get on

Yours sincerely,

DEREK BURT,

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Staffordshire

incipient lockjaw.

ditchwater.

Football Association Hand-

book. What is missing is the

inability of officials to enforce

My wife and I, who have

been involved in Sunday soc-

cer for over 20 years, were

present at a match last Sun-

day. We and the other specta-

tors present witnessed con-

tinual dissent, harassment of the official and foul language easily heard by all those

What perhaps summed it all

up was when one player who

told a group of spectators

including a number of child-

ren, exactly what he thought of

the referee, using extremely

the punishment.

present,

Yours sincerely

MAGNUS K. MOODIE,

60 Columba Road, Edinburgh 4.

From Mr Gareth Mantle

Sir, Having just listened to Inside Edge on BBC Radio 5 Live today (October 17) I am appalled at the greed of the American Paralympic Association. As I understand it they are funding their own domestic paralympic organisation with money raised from an "international" sporting event, the Paralympics held in Atlan-

ta last year. Believing they would only break even, the sport's inter-national body agreed the terms. However, a profit of \$4.5 million was eventually made. A year on, this cash has begun to be injected into their internal success. In a competition where international athletes have performed, any profit should undoubtedly be available to an international body able to help development of paralympic sports in coun-

tries where it is needed. The representative of the American association believed the money to have been mostly raised by sponsorship from American companies and said it was the American public who had filled the venues.

Surely pressure can be put on the United States to release the international money from an international sporting event? At a time when British athletics is facing a cash crisis it is ironic that America's paralympic sector seems to be acquiring more and more. The global Paralympians certainly deserve better.

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Yours faithfully, GARETH MANTLE, Tower House. Bentfield Green. Stansted Mountlitchet, gamb@le.ac.uk

Rugby razzmatazz

From Mrs Clare Parkinson Sir, Is this rugby? As music pulsates, cheer girls dance. free mini rugby balls are used as missiles and free chocolate bars hurled into the crowd cause near riots. Not lorgetting the remote control car bringing on the kicking tee, to a cacophony of music.

Let's say goodbye to profes-sionalism if this is the new way forward for rugby. I for one will not be venturing to Saracens again. Yours faithfully, CLARE PARKINSON, 14 Coppice Avenue,

Great Shelford, Cambridgeshire.

This week in THE TIMES



■ Tomorrow He may be loud and

brash on the pitch but away from football Peter Schmeichel is quiet and content. The Manchester United goalkeeper talks to Matt Dickinson.

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Cape Town? Friday Michael Schumacher and Jacques Villeneuve

prepare to decide the

world championship. ■ Saturday Football Saturday. The Premiership match-by-

match: Oliver Holt, Steve McManaman and Danny Baker.

Champions put to the sword as money begins to talk in Premiership table

Lynagh directs Saracens' progress

BY DAVID HANDS RUGBY CORRESPONDENT

HOW the mighty are falling: Leicester. European finalists last season, on Saturday and yesterday the English champions, Wasps. It is true that the season has a long way to run, but both Northampton and Saracens have lit a fire that. after the relative anonymity of the European Conference, will warm their future displays in the Allied Dunbar Premier-

At Loftus Road, in this North London derby, nearly 10,000 people watched two sides prepared to play con-structive rugby, both with ball in hand and, as nerves began to fray, putting boot to ball. was virtually none of the inhibition that near-neighbours customarily contrive but, increasingly, the old head

of Michael Lynagh took Saracens to the places that they needed to be in order to defend their lead in the final quarter. Lynagh may have lost an

edge of speed — indeed the Saracens midfield as a unit could be improved by an extra defensive organisation reduced one of the most imagicountry to fumbling hesitation. King and Greenstock tried to lure defenders to them to create space on the flanks. but the fluent support and quick ball that Wasps so desperately wanted never

It is indicative of how Saracens lived on the offside line that Rees was able to kick five penalty goals out of five to give Wasps a 15-10 lead going into the last quarter. But it is Saracens who are perched at the head of the first division. just behind Newcastle on points difference in what is. for now, a contest of English

rugby's new money. Whether that will hold true at the season's end remains to be seen. "It's a very valuable two points but there is imsides," François Pienaar, the Saracens player-coach, said.



Roiser, centre, finds himself enmeshed by the Saracens defence as another Wasps attack is smothered. Photograph: Jamie McDonald/Allsport

October-November." The bonus for Saracens is that they succeeded without three of their internationals, among them Kyran Bracken, the scrum half, and Richard Hill, the open-side flanker. Bracken turned an ankle playing against Narbonne but will be back this weekend, while Hill must overcome a strained

in their absence, Saracens, who have conceded only one try in three Premiership matches, placed their fortunes firmly in the hands of their pack. Pienaar and the bustling effect, but it was the tight from Wasps, who wheeled the scrum and cut off Sheasby from his support. They also managed to damp down the potentially damaging effect of Dallaglio's lineout skills until the final nerve-tingling minwhen organisation played second fiddle to

From the kick-off, Rees could not collect a high ball, his opponents took it right and left and coaxed a penalty from the Wasos midfield Lynagh does not miss from 12 metres and it was apt that the Australian had the last word an angled kick from created a four-point difference to run close-range penalty

Recs brought Wasps level, but Gomarsall then attacked an unsupported short side and the ball fell free to Daniel, who scooted 90 metres in the opposite direction. The New Zealander looked certain to beat Greenstock and Logan to the line but his joyful dive began too far away and landed just short of the try-line.

Yet it created the position from which Saracens scored a delightful team try. They inched left, carried the hall back right and Constable, for came diagonally off his wing

Two offsides and a collapsed scrum allowed Rees to give Wasps the lead and King placed a series of precise kicks behind the defence. Saracens replaced three tight forwards tion, Lynagh kicked his second penalty goal as Wasps tried to hold a maul driven from a

Whether fortune favoured the visitors when Sheasby was judged to have blocked Free is a most point - the scrum half looked as though he ran into the No 8 in pursuit of his own kick - but it made no difference to Lynash, who save his team the lead. Wasps could not retrieve their position and it was poor passing that left

Roiser isolated and penalised in the tackle, allowing Lynagh to extend the lead. "We panicked a bit." Dallaglio, the Wasps captain.

said. "We created chances but we didn't take them." SCORISIG: Waspe: Penalty goale: Rea (13min, 26, 33, 38, 68), Beracens: T

Constable (21), Conversion: Lynagh ally godia: Lynagh 4 (2, 82, 88, 77).

Davidson hurt Balenan as Londo Irish fail to raise siege

BY MARK SOUSTER

HAVING beaten Stade Français in Paris last week. London Irish were brought down to earth at Kingsholm yesterday when Gloucester, even without Philippe Saint-Andre, comfortably recorded their second league victory of the season. It lifted them to fifth place in the first division of the Allied Dunbar Premiership after they outclassed a typically spirited but ultimately underpowered Irish side who, on this evidence, face a

London Irish must have known that it was not going to be their day when, after only ten minutes, a lineout broke up with Jeremy Davidson, their British Isles lock, lying crampled in a heap. After lengthy treatment for a knee ligament injury, Davidson attempted to play on but had to be replaced by Gabriel Fulcher. Brian Ashton, the Ireland coach, looked concerned but the injury is not considered serious.

With their primary source of possession denied to them, London Irish quickly found themselves under huge pressure at the set piece, a pattern that was to continue throughout the match.

After 15 minutes, having repulsed successive waves of Gioucester attacks, London Irish found themselves stretched out wide. Richard: Tombs could have passed to Saint-Andre: instead he opted for Fanolua and the Western Samoan crossed on the right.

Mapletoft missed the conversion but added a penalty. nine minutes later, when London irish killed the ball it was looking increasingly

gloomy for the edles. When they did manage to venture into Gloucester territory, they often contrived to lose the ball in contact or knock on Ironically, one such mistake led to their try. Mapletoft cleared downfield deep into the Irish 22. Instead

of attack before offloading to Conor O'Shea. The full back sliced through midfield and passed to Kieron Dawson. The open-side flanker was tackled but managed to send a pass towards Woods, who scored

and Humphreys converted. Four minutes into the second half, Gloucester were awarded a penalty try after London Irish repeatedly collapsed the scrum on their own line and Mapletoft added the two points. Halpin was the culprit and was shown a yellow card. The pattern of play mirrored the first half with London Irish constantly pinned down inside their own territory, relying on the occa-

A mistake by Woods gifted Gloucester their third try after



Davidson: knee injury

otally missed Mapletoft's chip and Tombs, a rock in the home midfield, picked up the loose ball to score. A try in the final minute by Glanville, their hard-working cantain, was no more than

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Bishop cut across field, beat Parine & Mormon (Bright)

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Sparkling display by Pontypridd helps restore tarnished image Evans opened the scoring. Lewis that put Manley over in When Gareth Wyart kicked The move, beginning with the the corner was nonetheless a long but slightly infield, the

Pontypridd

By GERALD DAVIES

ALTHOUGH they have been accused by Brive of behaving like "uncivilised animals" and have earned an unwelcome reputation in recent weeks, it should not be forgotten that Pontypridd are a fine team. consistently playing rugby of a high standard. They can be expected to produce the goods, and Uanelli were more than happy to pick up the gauntlet in their Welsh League premier division encounter on

This was a lovely match. played at speed and with the emphasis on attack. Gratifyingly, there were few of the unforced errors that proliferate in too many matches.

There were four tries and two of them, scored by the opposing right wings, were from the top drawer. There was no fancy footwork in either score, simply the timing of good passes and giving of ball to colleagues in space. This was simple but beautiful-

visitors stealing a lineout near the halfway line and then moving left and right and left eain. was accomplished an quickly and accurately that Pontypridd hardly had time to regroup. With their defence spreadeagled, Llanelli's right wing turned up on the left-hand side of the pitch with acres of space to exploit.

Warlow converted. Lianelli were winning everything at this stage, although their second try was scored in controversial circurnstances. It appeared that Warlow had not retired ten metres when Neil Jenkins took quick penalty, and the Llanelli fly half intercepted the pass to run clear.

Llanelli built a commanding lead. Warlow converted his own try as well as kicking a couple of penalty goals. By the thirtieth minute, Pontypridd could reply only with two penalties by Jenkins.

The home team's opening try, when it came, may have lacked the width of the Llanelli score, but the passing in a confined space by McIntosh, Jenkins and Steele

thing of beauty. Adding his third penalty, Jenkins brought Pontypridd to within touching distance at 20-14 down by the interval, which at one stage had looked beyond them.

in the second half, the flow, of possession from Roy and Prosser in the lineouts ensured that the home team were more or less in the driving seat. Much else went their way, too: the penalty courit was 7-1 in their favour midway through the half, and luck was also on their side.



Jenkins: intercepted

long but slightly infield, the ball bounced in his favour and out of play. When Garen Evans had time to clear his line; Manley turned up unexpectedly to charge the ball

Although Wyatt collared Paul John, the scrum half wriggled his way free, kept his balance and found his way free to score Pontypridd's secand try. They were not going to lose their second home match of the season - they were beaten by Cardiff on the opening Saturday - and two more penalties by Jenkins, against Warlow's one, ensured a victory.

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Craig's pace makes the difference

Edinburgh

By KEVIN FERRIE

ANOTHER demonstration of the brilliance that makes James Craig one of the most exciting talents to emerge in Scottish rugby for years raised this match above the mundane. More importantly, as the stakes are continually raised, his efforts secured a result that goes a long way towards ensuring Glasgow's

DELL SCASON Though through to the play-offs this year, they could not afford to be distracted by their trip next month to Leicester before negotiating a hazardous six-day period that began yesterday and con-cludes with their trip on Friday to the Borders -

place in the European Cup

encompassing two thirds of their qualifying matches for the European Cup. Edinburgh, who had to

compete in the Conference this season, could be forgiven for feeling everything is against them, particularly after the full back, Hugh Gilmour, was forced to withdraw shortly before kick-off having damaged an adductor muscle during the warm-up. Yet playing into a strong breeze they enjoyed the better of the opening quarter, their forwards more purposeful.

After Glasgow's firstminute penalty, a series of textbook rucks direct from the restart took Edinburgh deep into the home 22 before Stuart Reid released Ally

McLean on the left. Uncharacteristically, it took Duncan Hodge three attempts to find the target and a sea change took place shortly

after that success when his opposite number, Tommy Hayes, hit the target with a penalty from inside his own

Almost immediately, Craig made his first impact with a magnificent solo score after receiving the half 30 metres out. Initially, both packs were directly between him and the posts before he cut infield, then straightened up with such alacrity that no defender reacted in time to lay a hand

Though Hodge kept magng away with penalties. Glasgow took control with Craig's second try midway through the second half. This time Hayes broke from inside his own 22 and found Chris Showers with an immaculate pass, who sent Craig racing down the touchline to score another cracking try. Craig's injection of pace to

Hayes to score his side's third. try was merely the icing on the cake.

IDE CAUCE.

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GLASGOW: C Sungeter (Stirting County, 190; G Frester, Kilmarrock, 67); D Stark (Glasgow, Hawks), C Serments (Glasgow Hawks), J Creig (Mast of Scotlands); T Hayes (Glasgow Hawks), F Stotl (West of Scotland); G Michelham (Glasgow Hawks), G Stotland), A Kittle (Stirting County), M Norval (Stirting County), M Norval (Stirting County), G Perratt (West of Scotland), M Welleas (Glasgow Hawks), D McLeish (West of Scotland; 192; S Wallace; Glasgow Hawks, 193; S Colland; 193; S Wallace; Glasgow Hawks, 194; Sinciam (Wastordans), EDMSRIPSCH; C Alken (Boroughminn); S Fleating, Westormans), A Gardonians, A Gardonians, A Perny, Webscrister, 54, L. Grahes Boroughemin, S Heatings (Wassers), A Relatin (Boroughemin), 19 Hodge Wassersen), G Burre (Wassersen), R Lebater, Massersen), R

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RUGBY UNION: HARLEQUINS BRUSHED ASIDE BY SECOND-HALF ONSLAUGHT

Bateman recharges Richmond

By Alison Kervin

RICHMOND left the pitch at half-time at the Athletic Ground yesterday 16-3 down and with all the signs pointing towards worse to come. Yet, after ten minutes, they emerged an inspired, motivated and creative team. The transformation in their approach was incredible.

Allan Bateman, the Wales centre, was brilliant His footballing genius was the key to unlocking the Harlequins defence. His assute rugby brain allowed him to spot every attacking opportunity and his speed of foot and vision, and frequent changes of direction of direction, allowed him to take a hand in all of Richmond's second-half tries.

Bateman was a delight to watch — a real natural, running rugby talent.
The first of Richmond's tries signalled the start of their

revival. Bateman passed out to Rolando Martin, the speedy Argentina flanker, who outran Gareth Allison to score. Bateman's ability to tie up the entire Harlequins defence freed up space for Dominic Chapman to go over for Rich-Less than five minutes later.

Bateman went over himself after Craig Quinnell bounded upfield before passing out to Earl Va's and on to Steve Conrell, who worked brilliantly together to allow Bateman to battle his way through.

Va'a had a fine game, converting all his penalty and conversion kicks and having a real presence around the field. Quinnell played well, crossing

for a try after a thrilling move. The final whistle was greeted with extraordinary scenes



Spencer Bromley, the Harlequins wing, being tackled during the defeat by Richmond at the Arbletic Ground yesterday

Richmond, stood on the pitch cheering as the team completed a lap of honour before congratulating every one of them on the win. He spoke out earlier this week about the money that he was losing through his involvement with the club - more than £1.5 million last season.

This was undoubtedly a great victory for Richmond as much psychologically as for the points accrued. It was the first time Richmond and Har-

nive match in league or cup, a reminder of how far Richmond have come recently. But a lap of honour seemed to be going a bit far, because beatng Harlequins is not such an achievement these days.

On Saturday, Harlequins looked empty and uninspired; they had no reply to the Richmond attack and were unable to build their own attacking platform, so the match was taken out of their In the first half their tack-

8CORERS: Richmons: Tries: Martin (45min, Chaprasi (46), Baerran (51), C Connet (79) Conversions: Va'a 4, Ponally goels: Va'a (19, 55, 65), Hadeques: Try. Stewart (39), Conversion: Litry Panally goels: Litry (11, 24, 30). BCORING SEQUENCE (Patronal Ses), 0-3, 3-3, 3-6, 2-8, 3-16 (real-term), 10-16, 17-16, 24-16, 27-18, 30-16, 37-16. ling was much better than in the second and they looked surer in the set-pieces, but even then they did not take full advantage of the many un-forced handling errors that littered the Richmond game.

RICHMOND: M. Pint, J. Winghi, (rep: Harvey, 40min), A. Beternen, S. Cottreil, Chapman; E. Va'a, A. Moose: D. McFartand, Williams, J. Davies, C. Cusmell, C. Galles, Martin, B. Clarke, S. Quinnell (rep: R. Huttor

BY CHRISTOPHER INVINE

Hall invested E3 million in assembling a formidable mulimutional side; the method is boringly effective rugby which, when practised to such extremely difficult to beat. Add some artistic merit and Newcastle would be a joy to watch. Set moves have all but-compromised intuitive, but risky, flair for the power play. There was no instant return

ties tries were by forwards, including one apiece for the back row of Ryan, O'Neill and the outstanding Lam. With a head of steam, the trio, in tandem with the darting Armly flattened Sale, who were missing half their first-choice side, and whose "Fortress North" label looks inappropriate after two home de

second half, one sensed that

Newcastle had the keys. So far, so good; Newcastle are unbeaten at the top of the Allied Dunbar Premiership and their fly half-cum-director of rugby is pleased that they have adapted quickly after promotion last season.

No individuais, even two drews decision to drop Tim

although Popplewell, in particular, took a big toll on the weakened Sale front row. There was no concealing

it might have been interesting, but, apart from Howarth's accurate place-kicking, the complaint about being overtaken in the final straight.

SCORERS: Sale: Tries: Moore (17min). Smith (21). Conventions: Howarth 2. Pensity goals: Howarth 4 [28, 40, 65, 75]. Newcestle: Tries: Lam (36), Ryan (41). Archer (78). O'Nell (81). Conventions: Andrew 2. Pensity goals: Andrew 3 (4, 10, 47).

Italy underline case for five nations' inclusion

taly, inevitably, may regard a 30-19 defeat in their opening fixture of the Latin Cup at the Moulias Stadium here on Saturday as a setback to their ambitions. For so long have they sought entry to the five nations' championship that there is now a tendency for them to consider a reverse against one of the sitting tenants as more

damaging than it truly is.
It is not enough for us to be competitive," Massimo Cuttitta, their prop and sometime captain, said. "We feel we have to win every time we play, and we think that we lost an opportunity here." Yet Italy have nothing of which to feel ashamed: Auch may not have matched their triumph over France in Grenoble last March but they demonstrated once again the strength they can bring to the five nations'.

Their problem is to win a place at the European high table before the present generation of players loses its efficacy. They need the carrot to hold out to younger players and that is unlikely to be offered them before the 1999 World Cup, not because rugby's traditional authorities are unsympathetic but because of the sheer volume of international matches with which the calendar is now cluttered.

Italy's representatives are due to meet Vernon Pugh in Bologna on November 8 the day they play South Africa
— and will discuss with the chairman of the International

WESTERN Province and Free

State, who will contest the

France, England and Scotland

next month (David Hands

Gone are some famous

names - André Joubert has

succumbed to injury, as has Japie Mulder, Hennie le Roux

is out of favour while the likes

of Russell Bennett and Warren

Brosnihan, new caps during

the summer, have failed to

impress Nick Mallett, the new

coach. Instead, there are ten

players new to international

colours in the party, which

will play two internationals

es against England (Novem-

Dan van Zyl, who played

scrum half for Mpumalanga

against the British Isles in

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clubs at any stage, as that will

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has to discard a spade, leaving

this three-card ending:

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and Scotland

David Hands, in Auch,

sees France avenge a recent defeat as the

patient losers pursue a longer-term reward

Rugby Football Board not only their playing record but their competitive and commercial structures. It is likely that they will make a presentation to the five nations' committee early in the new year, with a view to elevation soon after the completion of the next World Cup.

"There are a lot of international commitments now some might say too many and we don't want to overload the system," Alan Hosie, chairman of the five nations', said. "But we have a responsibility in the five nations', not

ing Gauteng's 38-18 defeat by

Western Province in the Cur-

rie Cup semi-finals on Satur-

day, Roux damaged a knee so

Gauteng's consolation is

that Thinus Delport, their full

back, is preferred to Bennett

and Wim Basson leaps up the

scale as one of the locks. South

Africa may miss the utility

skills of Fritz van Heerden, the

Western Province back-five

forward who will join Leicester after the cup final

but his provincial colleague,

Andrew Aitken (a Blue at

Oxford in 1993) finds a place.

SOUTH AFRICA TOUR PARTY: Backs: T

Dalport, J. Swant, P. Montgomen, M. Henchicks, B. Paulse, J. Brestl, F. Rosserm, J. Olbinghem, R. Mar, A. Enyman, F. Smith, J. Dalber, H. Honbal, B. Wessell, J. Van der Weschutzen, W. Swanepoel, D. van Zyl. Forwarder, J. du. Handt, W. Méyer, D. Theson, A. Van der J. Galleyey, A. van der Linde, J. Dalton, A. Drad-Gleyey, A. van der Linde, J. Dalton, A. Drad-

Skie, D Santon, M Andrews, W Basson, K Otto, B Es, J Eresmus, A Verser, C Knge, B Skinsted, P Sms, A Altkon, G Teichmann (captain).

Auckland, the Super 12

champions, were swept out of

New Zealand's provincial

championship final when they

lost 21-15 to Canterbury at

Eden Park on Saturday.

Van Zyl, 27, steps up.

just to ourselves, but to rugby

South Africa look to

newcomers for tour

However, Georges Costes, Italy's coach, believes professionalism could harm his adopted country's cause. Of Saturday's team four play for clubs outside Italy — Cuttitta, Dominguez, Stoica and Giovanelli - and more may follow. Costes wants his role models playing at home, not in England or France, so that they can aid the development of the next generation.

in the northern hemisphere.

That problem will return to haunt him as early as next month, by which time he will have discussed with Andy Keast, the director of rugby at the Stoop Memorial Ground, the release of Cuttitta to play for Italy against the Springboks, on the same day that Harlequins play Toulouse in the quarter-finals of the Heineken Cup.

Another worry for Italy is their lineout, which remains an area of hideous weakness, It was as well that their back row was in superlative form on Saturday, better as a unit than their French counterparts, who tended to lose the ball in the tackie.

This gave Italy the chance to counter. From a half-time deficit of 17-9, they struck back to within a point when Vaccari ran back a stray clearance, linked with Marcello Cuttitta on the left and was on hand to take the return and score. France, having conjured up

a straightforward try by Callfano from a lineout early in the first half, responded well in adversity. Not only did Lamaison's goal-kicking keep their noses in front, Lacroix was able to put Saint-Andre into space and the experienced wing scored with typical élan. True, it was the only occasion on which the midfield defence was beaten but, as Saint-Andre said on his return to the captaincy, both crowd and players must learn patience - a bit like Italy, who have made a virtue of that particular quality.

SCORERS: France: Tries: Catteno (10mm), Sant-Andre (80). Convention: Lamason 5 (8). 26, 31, 40, 56, 67). Italy: Try: Vaccan (8). Conversion: Dominguez Panally goals: Dominguez 3 (7, 26, 63). Dropped goal: Dominguez 3 (r. as. 65), proposo goa: Dominguez (18), SCORING SECUENCE (Frence first), 3-0, 3-3, 6-3, 8-6, 11-6, 11-9, 14-9, 17-9 (nati-time), 17-16, 20-16, 27-16, 27-19, 30-19. imel, 17-16, 20-16, 27-16, 27-19, 30-19. FRANCS: J-L. Badoumy (Colomiers): L. Laismand (Bourgon), C. Lamalson (Brive), T. Castalgrade (Castres): 1-p. S. Glies, Bourgon; 39-mn), P. Sant-Andrer (Gloucester, capitaln); T. Lacrobt (Herlequins), F. Galiffié (Colometer, rep. J. Cazalbour, Toulouse, 31); C. Galifano (Toulouse), M. dai Masso (Agan, rep. R. Reinez, Dax, 81), F. Tourmake (Toulouse), O. Marie (Montierrand): rep. O. Magne, Brive, 53). O. Brouzalt (Begles-Squissus). A. Bersizzi (Agen), L. Cabaranea (Harfoquin, sep. P. IAgen), L. Cabarnea (Harfogura, nep' Pennatton, Agen, 67), F. Peloua (Toulouse)
ITALY: M. Rawazzolo (Cabrsano) P. Veccan
(Cabrsano), C. Stoles Phetioprae, nep' L.
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(Tievrato); Messaino Cuttina (Harfogures), C.
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C. Casone, L. Aguia, 59), M. Gilovanelli
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Checchinalo (Treviso)
Enterpers S. Borcan (Morenton)

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final of the Currie Cup at Newlands next Saturday, supply half of the 36-strong squad named by the South African Rugby Football Union to tour

Andrew batters down Sale's fortress

NEWCASTLE are about money and method. Sir John

on these monstrous surges at Heywood Road on Saturday,

BY BRYAN STILES

CLIVE WOODWARD, the

England coach, is dusting

down the volume on the

delicate art of diplomacy as he

settles into his new job. Take the one-sided battle in this

match on Saturday between Matt Dawson and Austin

Healey, two of the plethora of

Dawson had a distinct edge

over his rival, seemed to cover

every corner of the field at

once and topped it off by

kicking four penalty goals. Yet

Woodward took the restrained

approach, preferring to dwell

Dawson rather than criticise

Healey enthusiasm, he chose

effort behind a beaten pack.

Healey's club coach, Bob

Dwyer, was more direct. "He

[Healey] was keyed up for the

mission, Dwyer said. He

wanted to finish in front of

Instead of dampening any

the Leicester scrum half.

the England berth.

there was an inevitability about the result, even though the home side led 17-6 after half an hour and again in the last five minutes. Significantly, all Newcas-

Rob Andrew spoke of "get-ting out of jail", but once his sure foot found its mark in the

Lions, are bigger than the club, which explained An-Stimpson and John Bentley sion. It could have rebounded. and a sprightly, well-organised Sale exposed weaknesses in Newcastle's defence,

Newcastle's delight as Archer

levered himself over the Sale line, and when O'Neill emerged from a pile of bodies for a superfluous try in injury Few sides will beat New-

In the end, Harlequins were

well-heaten. Their only try came from the full back, Scott

Stewart, just before half-time.

Harlequins have some serious

soul-searching to do before the

number of defeats behind

them makes the season in

castle by taking their forwards head on, but Sale had the daring, if not the execution in the second half, to rattle them. Both Sale's tries, by Moore,

an exciting young wing, and Smith, who combined well at half with who showed good vision outside him, stemmed from lineout takes by Erskine and rapid driving by the forwards, a tactic that John Mitchell, the Sale coach, might well bring as an assistant to England.

Had Sale managed to keep out Ryan just after the re-start.

league matches was never

going to improve at the

Recreation Ground once the

home side had found a way

past stout defence at ruck and

maul and cut out their own

mistakes. They scored seven

tries, several instigated by

sublime passing from Catt.

but several opportunities were

Bath appear to have un-

earthed a rare talent in lain

Balshaw, the 18-year-old full

back from Lancashire, who

was making his Allied Dun-

bar Premiership debut. He

was perhaps over-eager and

mistimed one or two incur-

sions into the line, but he is

quick, brave, resourceful and

kicks off either foot. He will be

a huge asset. Balshaw's clever

scissors move opened up Bris-

tol for Andy Nicol's opening

try after 15 minutes, after

which Bath's control was

For all their endeavour,

Bristol's playing resources

look as threadbare as their

finances. Had Catt converted

more than one kick out of five,

the margin of defeat might

have approached the 70-point

humiliation of two years ago.

complete.

June, joins the newcomers after the withdrawal of the experienced Johan Roux. Dur-

ber 29)

(December 6).

Poyner, who clearly enjoys double-dummy problems, has reminded me of the famous "Whitfeld Six", which was composed in 1880. When it came out it was "considered so difficult that it took card analysts weeks to solve". Here it is: hearts are trumps, South is on lead and requires the rest

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top-class analyst weeks to solve nowadays — Martin Hoffman would knock it off in under five minutes. This is not because the bridge players of the 1990s are more intelligent than the whist players of the 1880's - it's just because the techniques involved are much

ing the jack of clubs, unblocking the eight from dummy. Notice how that creates

By Philip Howard

a. A red wine b. A district of Rome

Now the ace of diamonds squeezes East in the black ☐ For details of The Times

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a. An Assyrian god

b. A small drum c. Amen

c. A fast Hungarian dance

WORD WATCHING

PLAFOND

a. A form of bridge b. The ocean bed c. A French school of criticism REJON

a. A bull-fighting spear b. A dry riverbed c. A military conscript



Rvd2

White: Lock van Welt

Tilburg, October 1997

English Opening

22 Nc3 23 Bh5+

Adams shines

Michael Adams, of Great Britain. turned in a sparkling performance in the elite tournament at Tilburg. He won three games and went

through the tournament without defeat. Here is his rapid demograndmaster. White: Michael Adams Black: Joel Lautier

Tilburg, October 1997 Sicilian Defence dxe4 Be7 cxd4 Oxd4 a6 Nd7

Times book The Times Winning Moves 2

contains 240 chess puzzles from international grandmaster Ray-mond Keene's daily column in The Times, and is available now from bookshops or from B. T. Batsford Ltd (tel: 01376 321276 at £6.99 plus postage and packing). ☐ Raymond Keene writes on chess

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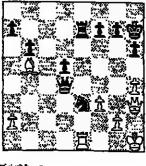
WINNING MOVE

By Raymond Keene

Black to play. This position is

from the game Perlis - Reti, Vienna 1910. Black is two pawns ahead and should win easily. However, it is always a good idea to

finish off quickly if possible and that is exactly what Black



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shed imag

Woodward did have a point about the Leicester pack, though, and they will have to crank up the ratchet several notches if their next Allied Dunbar Premiership first division game, at home to Bath on Saturday, is to prove any more rewarding.

Dawson. He didn't."

and kept us on the back foot," Dwyer said. "From I to 15 they were better than us. Their back row caused us trouble and kept up a quick supply of the Ball."

hand, was understandably

ebullient, having seen his

team, with some style, avert.

the possibility of losing their

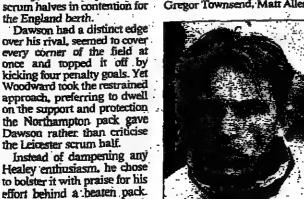
third league game in a row."

victory. Northampton ran at us Ian McGeechan, the Northampton coach, on the other

thank Tim Rodber, his returning captain. Rodber charged through defensive shields as if they were papier maché, brought direction to a pack that had lost its edge, and rounded off an inspiring display by scoring a splendid try.

scrum half battle

Paul Grayson, nursing a groin injury and playing at full back instead of fly half, opened the scoring for Northampton in the seventh minute, finishing off a move created by Gregor Townsend, Matt Allen



Dawson: outshone rival

and Andy Northey to touch down near the left corner flag. Joel Stransky had the chance to bring Leicester back into the game but missed three out of four penalties before the interval, while Dawson kicked three. Stransky opened the second half with a penalty but Dawson and Townsend replied with one apiece, leaving Rodber to put the seal on

VICTORY.
SCORERS: Northampton: Tries: Grayson (7min), Rodber (74). Pensity goels: Dawson 4 (25, 34, 40, 47), Townsend (65). Leicester: Pensity goels: Stransty 2 (16, 44). SCORENG SEQUENCE (Northampton Brd., 5-0, 5-3, 8-3, 11-3, 14-3, (nell-isme), 14-6, 17-5, 20-6, 25-6.
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LEICESTER: M Horak W Serren, W Steenwood, S Potter, L-Lloyd; J Stratsky, A Healey; G Resembee, R Cookedff, D Resembee, R Cookedff, D Rosenbee, R Rosenbeer, N Back, E Miller

Dawson dictates | Plenty of life left in de Glanville

startling,

value to his country.

ments and we shall wait and see what happens. I'm not writing myself off, though, I am still in the frame for it (the captaincy]. It's just my feeling in terms of how things are

Bristol's unhappy record of never having beaten Bath in 14

By MARK SOUSTER

PHIL DE GLANVILLE may have been a little premature in penning his own obituary on Friday. De Glanville's frank admission that he was unlikely to be England captain this year — while at the same time advancing the claims of Law-rence Dallaglio — was

So, too, was his performance for Bath on Saturday. Admittedly, it was against Bristol and not New Zealand, but the personable de Glanville went a long way to exorcising the demons that have made him question his

He was man of the match. scored a try and, in tandem with Mike Catt (the latter's place-kicking apart), made Bath tick. Today was one of those days when most things went well," de Glanville said. "I'm enjoying it. That is the approach I have decided to take, relax a bit, and play my game instead of worrying

about everything.
"I still stand by those com-

Andy Robinson, the Bath coach, said he thought de Glanville's remarks, on radio, were his way of softening the blow, when, and if, it comes. But Clive [Woodward, the England coach] should not write him off yet. He proved today he is an internationalclass centre. He took some super lines, and defended superbly. He is a great support conner and at time he plays like an open-side flanker. He is that skilful in broken

SHEEHAN on BRIDGE

BY ROBERT SHEEHAN BRIDGE CORRESPONDENT

My correspondent David

don't think it would take a

Normal service was restored when Callard, a replacement for Balshaw, took more widely known. over. He also scored Bath's Here South starts by cashfinal try after a gorgeous flip pass by Catt.

PRISS By Care.

SCORERS: Bettir. Tries: Nicol (15mm), De Gianelle: (34), Seightholme (36), Adebayo (61), Earnshaw (66), Peters: (73), Callard (77) Conversions: Callard 2, Call. Penatty goet: Callard (58) Bristot: Tries: Penatty 411. Maggs (80) Conversion: Burke: Penatty coat Burke (7), SCOMME. SEQUENCE (Bath Rest. 0-3, 12-3, 17-3 (hall-tries), 17-10, 30-10, 27-10, 34-16, 33-10, 44-10, 44-15.

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D Hibton, A Long frep. M Regen, 51), V Ulogu frep: C Horsman, 71), M Haag, B Custack, R Eamshew, R Webster, D Lyla frep: E Peans, 73)
BRISTOL: J Lewesy frep: S Jones, 89; D Raid, S Martin, K Marges, B Briscos; P Burles, R Jones-trape, G Baber, 19-29, 71; A Poole, J Dioth, K Futhman, P Adams, C Engle frep. J Browning, 55), S Peanse, C

did here. How? Solution on page 44 Hype fails to disguise lack of quality in opening match of World Series

Marlins take Florida to fever pitch

than liberty.

T1ME seemed out of joint as the bestof-seven World Series between the Florida Marlins and the Cleveland Indians began here on Saturday night. The crowd of 67,245, the biggest for a series game for more than 20 years, went home happy after the Marlins had won. 7-4. but all their orchestrated cheering and Mexican waves could not quite dispel the air of unreality hanging over Pro

Player Stadium. Somehow, like many of the pitches made by the Cleveland starter, Orel Hershiser, the tradition and grandeur which usually attend the series failed to turn up on time. True, it was difficult to be entirely serious about an event held in an arena named after a brand of underwear (Pro Player is an offshoot of Fruit of the Loom).

but there was more to it than that. Perhaps it was that neither of these teams was expected to reach showpiece. Cleveland were ranked no high-

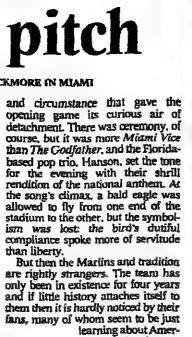
teams qualifying for the play-offs and the Marlins did not even win their division, relying instead on a wild card as best runner-up in the

National League. The impression that these were not actually the two best teams in baseball was heightened by the fact that each had won their pennants despite having inferior batting and

It may be a statistical fluke (it is not so much the number of runs you score but when you score them that really counts), but to beat a team while scoring fewer runs than you allowed them is the sort of trick that gets more than a few wizened old experts scratching their heads.

Still, here they were, and no one on either team, at least, doubted that they deserved to be.

So perhaps it was the lack of pomo



ica's national pastime themselves. With an accuracy he was unable to find from the pitching mound, Hershiser put his finger on the problem. When you come to the World Series you think of baseball, apple pie

and history," he said. "The Marlins are writing their history. With this series, we're writing history, not

Hershiser, as it turned out, would have been better off reliving history than rewriting it during a game in which the teams were perfectly represented by their starting pitchers. Nine years earlier, Hershiser had given one of the great World Series performances in leading the Los Angles Dodgers to victory over the Oakland A's. Now, at 39, he was older and slower but, we thought,

Opposing him was the symbol of the Marlins' brash youthfulness: Livan Hernandez, 22, the first rookie to start a game in the series for more than a decade. Hernandez defected from Cuba two years ago and had never even seen a World Series game live on television before starting one. Halfway through the Indians' first



Hernandez, the Florida Marlins rookie, helps his team to victory over the Cleveland Indians.

inning it seemed likely that the older man would prevail. Hernandez had already given up one run and still had two men on base, His face, suddenly coated with sweat, looked more like that of a lost 12-year-old than a millionaire sports star. But he escaped and wriggled

free from further jams in the third and fifth innings. By then, though, he was in the clear. Hershiser, after a confident start, had simply fallen apart. In the fourth, he gave up a three-run homer to Moises Alou, and four pitches

GAME ONE DETAILS

later allowed another solo shot which put the game out of sight. By the time that he disappeared amid a hall of catcalls, he had given up seven runs, equalling a World Series record. Thus Hernandez was allowed to get away with his patchy performance. He, too, gave up two homers and had a temper tantrum when he was lifted by his increasingly, anxious manager in the sixth. But he had done enough to

With the help of an interpreter, he even managed to summarise accurately the whole evening. To pitch in the World Series ... it's the maximum." he said. "This is a tremen-

By game two, surely, everybody

RUGBY LEAGUE

Kimmorley surprise choice for Australia

By Christopher Irvine

THREE uncapped players find places in the 22-strong Australia squad for the Brit-ish Gas series against Great Britain, which starts at Wennbley on Saturday week. The most surprising choice is the inclusion of Brett Kimmorley, who ousted Noci Goldthorpe as the Hunter Mariners first-choice scrum half. He will be the understudy to Alian Langer, who has not entirely recovered

from a groin injury.

Kimmorley was given his chance after the late withdrawal of Ricky Stuart, the Canberra Raiders scrum half, who has back and hamstring problems, and was not confident about being fit.

Paul Green, another highlyrated scrum half, was not available. He broke his sternum during Australia's 30-12 defeat by New Zealand last

The other uncapped players are Robbie Kearns, prop for the defunct Perth Reds club. who joined the new Meiweek, and Russell Richardson, the long-striding Cronnila Sharks centre.

The squad, is otherwise largely predictable, apart from a recall for Steve Walters, the North Queensland Cowboys hooker. The Brisbane Broncos, the world club champions, provide eight of

John Lang, leaves for Britain next weekend. Lang said that Langer had insisted all along that he would make the tour. Even half-fit, Langer posted of his masterly abilities in Brisbane's world dub final defeat of Hunter last Friday. AUSTRALA SCUAD: Busine L. Daley (Carberre, ceptain). A Ethiopineuser (Cronule), R Gentler (Persitin), B Kimmorley (Partier), A Langer (Brisbare), D Lockye (Brisbare), B Mullins (Carberre), K Negae

Hancock's hour has ome to aid Crad! Cradley

BY TONY HOARE

SPEEDWAY'S most famous... rivalry will be resurred tonight when Wolverhampton and Cradley Heath tackle each other in a fund-raising event with a difference. The difference is that Cradley Heath have not been part of British speedway at all this year and money is being raised to help to bring the club back from the dead.

Greg Hancock and Billy Hamill, former Cradley riders and winners of the individual world championship in the past two seasons, will lead a team of former Heathens against the Wolves. Cradlev lost Dudley Wood, their stadi um, two years ago and, after a financially draining 1996 season using Stoke's stadium, they were forced to put their promoting licence on hold while they strove to return in their spiritual home.

The stadium owners agreed two years ago to sell the site to Barratts, the builders, but Dudley council refused planning permission and has also rejected a subsequent appeal. The speedway club's hopes rest with the council placing a compulsory purchase order on

The stadium is now derelict and the chances of a return in 1998 are slim, but the club is determined to return and Wolves would relish the return of regular local derbies. Chris van Straaten, the Wolverhampton promoter, said: The whole of speedway has suffered through not having Cradley in the fold."

Hancock, who rode for eight seasons in una people Cradley, said: "Some people to we want to show that there is still hope. Billy and I want to ride for Cradiey again because our roots are at Dudley Wood." A special fund-raising turn-Stadium for the meeting tonight and £3 of the price paid

go to the fighting fund.

stile has been set up at Wolverhampton's Monmore Green

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RACING: BACKERS FIND VITAL CLUE TO CLASSIC WINNER IN X FILE

Display of Xaar quality sets Guineas standard

LEADERS ON THE FLAT

BY RICHARD EVANS RACING CORRESPONDENT

XAAR will be officially confirmed today as one of the outstanding two-year-olds of modern times after his spellbinding seven-length victory in the Thoroughbred Corporation Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket on Saturday,

Less than a fortnight after the superlatives cupboard was raided in order to do justice to the scintillating success of Peintre Celebre in the Arc. similar paeans of praise are merited for this exceptional son of Zafonic. The colt. trained at Chantilly by André Pabre, is a best-priced 6-4 for the 2,000 Guineas next May.

Matthew Tester, the British Horseracing Board handicap-per responsible for rating two-year-olds, will discuss Xaar's performance with his French counterpart today. Even if they adopt the most conservative approach and assume that Tamarisk and Desert Prince. second and fourth respectively, did no more than run up to heir previous form, then Xaar is likely to be rated on 127 -2lb higher than the mark given to his sire, Zafonic, for

winning the Dewhurst in 1992. However, should the officials take the reasonable view that Tamarisk and Desert Prince improved on previous

2.30 Sharp Cracker

3.00 Bonanza, Peak

3.30 Gulland, 5.30 Recognition.

elevated to 128, or even 130 the highest juvenile rating. which was accorded to Arazi

and Celtic Swing. Whatever their conclusion a lone figure, however high, cannot begin to describe the majestic display of accelera-tion witnessed by 18,000 spectators on a glorious afternoon at Newmarket. A quarter of a mile from home, Olivier Peslier eased Xaar from his position near the rail at the back of the pack towards the

outside of a field considered

the strongest Dewhurst line-

up for years. After effortlessly taking the lead off the front-running Tamarisk going into the Dip. he put seven lengths between himself and his nearest pursuer inside the final furlong. The whip carried by Peslier, who was recording his eleventh group one success of the year, was superfluous as he pushed out the winner.

4:00 Harbet House

4.30 CORNICHE QUEST (nap)

RICHARD EVANS

Nag: AIX EN PROVENCE (3.30 Pontefract) Next best: Rutland Chantry (3.00 Pontefract)

The confidence of Fabre before the race was such that he had discussed how Xaar would win the 2,000 Guineas - then go for the Derby. Breeding pundits will no doubt scoff at Xaar's chances of staying the Epsom trip his dam was a sprinter - but Europe's master trainer believes he is so relaxed the

could get the distance". While Pabre and Peslier attracted the plandits, do not forget Khaled Abdulla, the winning owner. Saturday's triumph is further proof, if it were needed, of the success of a breeding operation which puts many of his rivals to shame. Abdulla does not have

of owners of smart two-yearolds or splash out Monopolystyle sums at the yearling sales. Instead, he relies on a stream of home-breds which are the fruit of years of careful planning.

Lord Weinstock has adopt-

ed a similar approach down the years and the victory of Pilsudski in the Dubai Champion Stakes confirmed that the Michael Stoute-trained five year-old is world-class at 14 miles. Although the race was hardly run to suit him, the hattle-hardened campaigner did: not require a second invitation when a gap finally opened up near the stands' rail. Despite his exertions in the Arc 13 days earlier, he quickened decisively to heat Loup Sauvage by two lengths in his last race in Britain.

Between them, .Xaar and Pilsudski contributed to a memorable afternoon, unless you happened to be a bookmaker, for whom the results were expensive. But even without their deeds, the inaugural Champions' Day would have been a triumph. It was a hold decision by Peter Player and his fellow directors at Newmarket to put all their eggs into one basket, but the near-record crowd and won-



Xaar powers clear of a high-class field to win the group one Dewhurst Stakes at Newmarket on Saturday



TOTE JACKPOT MEETING 2,30 JOHAN FARENELL MAINER AUCTION STAKES '-0: £2,906: 60 (14 rumets).

Timekeeper's top rating: 2.30 SHARP CRACKER.

Our Newmarket Correspondent: 3.00 BONANZA PEAK (risp).

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SATURDAY'S RESULTS

Newmarket

2.15 (71) 1. Kishel (I. Detton, 9-2. Thunder-er's respi: 2. Rebaccal Sharp (6-3); 3. Muchea (33-1) Ejnaden (4th) 9-4 tes. 12 ran. Nt. 181 S bin Support Total 25.00; \$1.40.

2.55 (2m 2) 1, Turnpole (I. Chanock, 18 2. Top Caes (5-1 tay); 3, Mawand (12-1 Canon Can (10-1), 31 ran, NF: Russ Ross 134, 344 Mai M Paveley, T £18 40; £3 70, £2.80, £2.80, £2.80, £6.20 The: £192.50, £2.87, £78.49, The £978.62

4.48 (71) 1, Name Of Love (K Fallon, 9-4 (89), 2, Tackrige (25-1), 3, Status (40-1), 12 ran 1 VI, sh Nd, D Loder Tota, 12.00: \$1,700

CSP* E70.21 5.20 (71) 1, Desert Beauty (L. Detton, 9-4 te/), 2, Return Of Armin (12-1): 3, Sheltening Sky (9-1), 4, Al Leige (12-1): 27 min NR Wesman's Weight 141, 11, M Stoute Tate, 13-20: 1-40, 2-450, 12-80, 12-80, 64-70 DF £43.70 Tino £143.80 CSF* £29.35 Thoses, E04.36 Jacopot: 636,338.10 (part won. Pool of 640,630 carned forward to Pontelinot

Placepot: \$258.50 Quadroot: \$13.80. Redcar

2.15 1, Genge (10-1), 2, Intereston (3-1 lav), 3, The In-Laws (10-1), 4, Pekay (5-1), 16 mm, NR, Limns. 2.45 1, Final Tango (13-8 lav), 2. Mond-achen (7-2), 3, Ranna (15-1) 12 ran. 3.15 1, Carezie (7-2 lov); 2, Mijene (9-1), 3. Shudder (6-1) 25 ran. 3.45 1, Swino (11-4 lav), 2, Royal Dame (6-1): 3, Another Beschworth (6-1): 13 ran. 4.16 1, Desert Track (5-1 (4.20), 2, Cac-N-K (20-1), 3, Criscle (20-1), 4, Jedi Kright (10-1) Somerton Boy 6-1 (1-lav. 19 far) NR:

4.50 1, Herminius (5-1), 2, Eco Frenciy (2-1 tev), 3: O' Higgins (16-1) 15 ran 6.25 t. Outset (33-1); 2. Highfield Fizz (14-1), 3. Dowlish Charm (13-2). Polenista 3-1 (av.) 5 ran NP Welcome Lu

Kelso

2.00 1, Toby (5-2), 2, Thundorhead (9-4), 3, Wayuphili (7-4 (ev) 9 rats. 2.40 1 Mister Ross (4-6 tav); 2, Corning Alive (15-2), 3, War Whoop (20-1) 7 ran 3.10 1, Superpricte (8-11 tavy 2, Buckley House (66-1), 3. Forostar (50-1) 14 ran. 3.50 1, Lootmagrain (7-4 tev): 2, Tighler Budget (2-1), 3, Seeking Gold (11-2) 5 ran 4.20 1, Superior (5-1), 2, Lagen (4-1 (f-lav), 3, Adametic (4-1 (f-lav), 7 ran,

Kempton Park 2.20 7, Calibate (7-4 lay), 2, Amancio (3-1), 3, Super Tactics (3-1), 6 ran. 2.50 1, Sound Appeal (33-1): 2, Lebytak (6-1): 3, Regal Reprired (9-1) Real Estate 4-9 lay 9 ran 3,20 1, Sermentino (1-3 tav); 2, Kerawa (6-1), 3, Oh So Risky (11-2), 4 ran 4,20 1, Chief's Bong (7-4 ji-lav), 2 Lake Kanbe (9-1), 3, Tempessee King (40-1), Cheny's Lad 7-4 ji-lav 5 ran. NR Hon Wenney 4,55 1, Flying Fidelier (14-1); 2, Sharp Contreend (11-4); 3. Motocua (7-4 fev) 9 nm

2.30 1, Down The Yard (13-21: 2, Sightly Special (9-1), 3, Summer Wita (14-1). Sadies's Realm 11-2 fav 13 ran. 3.00 1, Fijon (11-2); 2, Trees Me Bold (20-1); 3, Hubert (20-1), Princely Affair 4-1 fav 17 3.35 1, Fine Thyrie (11-2), 2, Monks Sohem (11-2), 3, Arl Prince (7-2) Speaker Weather® 11-4 tav 7 ran. 4.05 1, Crandon Boulevard (5-1), 2, Stat Market (4-1); 3, Non Virtiage (18-1), Takatheth 3-1 tav. 8 ren

4.35 1, Anabranch (5-4 lev); 2, Lobster Cottage (9-4); 3, Brambleberry (100-30), 5 5.05 1, Occold (4-1); 2 Supreme Charm (9-4 fav), 3, Bavardiar (25-1) 17 ran

5.35 1, Andswephil (5-2 lav), 2, Cui De Sec (3-1); 3, Milliond Sound (4-1), 12 ran NR Almuhtaram, Golden Thunderbot. Wolverhampton 7.00 1, Dorado Beech (12-1), 2, Forsoyn (4-5 lav), 3, Superapparos (33-1), 12 ran 7.30 1, Palastan Romeo (16-1); 2, Greenbrook (4-1), 3, Malozza (7-2 lav), 12 ran, NPt Glass Pilver

8.00 f. State Of Caution (8-1); 2. Zuhar (20-1); 3. Double Oscar (10-1) Golden Pound 5-1 g-lav 12 ran NR Silca Key Salca 8.30 1, See Ya Maite (13-2); 2. Phochs. Princess (10-1) 3, Molly Music (7-1) Legal Issue 3-1 lav. 13 ran. 9.00 1, Pink Ticket (7-2), 2, Cance To The Beat (7-2) 3, Chemshed (2-1 fav) 11 ran, NR King's Matterss, Merch Phyd 1-Grug, 9.30 1, Welcome Home (33-1) 2, Pontae Sophe (7-1), 3, Tarl (13-2) Classic Ballet 9-4 lay 12 ran.

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intraction,

THE TIMES MONDAY OCTOBER 20 1997 **SPORT** FOR THE RECORD S-2, 7-8, I. Reymond (US) bit M. Hings (Switz) 4-6-6-2, 7-5. Semi-finets: N Tauzast (F1) bit Reymond 6-3, 7-5-1. Devenport (US) or Nevotra 8-4, 6-1. Finet: Davenport bit Tauztat 7-6, 7-5. division: Blackmonk 14 Outon 18, Essimon 27 Moldgreen 20, Leigh East 84 Barrow Island (E. Milloret 28 Stelaugh 39; Rochalt 44 Wigart St. Jude's 18, Shaw Green 28 East Leeds 20; Thombill 38 Millori 4; Second division: Devisibusy Mijor 14; Owenden 24, Dodworth 22 York Acom 26; Submid St. Dodworth 22 York Acom 26; Owenden 24, Dodworth 22 York Acom 26; 10, New Earlands: 24 Ecotes 14: Normanion 31 Hull Dodwers 24, Siddel 58 Crosland 28. CCI: Three event: First: 1. Dope Dotte (M. Crestine Duray: Fr) 41; 2. Cleale Messpierre Mahvenn (M. Legar: Fr) 45; 3. Si George (S. Richter, Ger) 47. British: 5. Rock King (S. Buller); 8. Smer 120 (B. Lumi: 38, Gernbler); 8. Gernard; 6. Green British. Festina) 1.49; 7, F. Jeker (Switz, Festina) at same itms; 8, M. Maur (Sp. CNICS) 1.54; 9. F. Escartin (Sp. Keimel 1.56; 10, J. Menusi Lina (Sp. Estepone) 1.57 ARENA ESSEX Essex Junior Championship. 1, G Hedge (Mildenhall) 13, 2, E Howe (Pelasborough) 12, 3, N Month (Arena Essex) 11. BADMINTON SOUTHAMPTON: LTA Women's Chall-srige: Finels: Singles: E Koulkovskaya (Mass) bi: E Talarkova (Ukr) 6-0, 4-6, 7-6 Doubles: I Putin and L Woodroffe (GB) bt L Cenkova (Cz) and S Macuk (Yug) 6-2, 8-1. VEILE Dermert: Denish Open champlonships: Men's singles final: D Jong (Chna) to P Gade (Den) 15-1, 15-11, 15-12. Women's Gudbles final: M Vengo and A Jorgensen (Den) by Y Iwala and H Marsuda CIS INSURANCE SCOTTISH INDOOR LEAGUE: Premier division: Section A: Aw 64 Edwhurgh 83; Midlothen 64 Barrield 87: East Lothan 75 Lamakshare 69. Section B: Aberden 70 West Lothian 80; Elantyre 70 Presswick 86, Auchiniack 98; Turnit 69 CYCLO-CROSS: Netional Trophy: flast round: (Aldersley Stadium, Wolver-hempton, 17.25 milest: 1, B Clarke (Fearn Releigh) it w Smin 18sec: 2, C Surgeon (Team Orenge) at Secc; 3, S Burst (Ace RT) 28sec. BERMICK: Kerl Frier blemontel Trophy: P Bentsy (Newcastre) 14: J Olsen (Newcastre) 13 (effect a run-off): L Collins (Stoke) 13. Corkova (Cz) and S Nacuk (Yug) 6-2, 8-1. ATP RANKINGS: 1, P. Sampras (US) 4,291pts; 2, M. Chang (US) 3,385; 3, P. Rafter (Aus) 2,899; 4, G. Nanksević (Cro) 2,891; 5, G. Rusadski (GS) 2,564; 6, C. Moya 2,991; 5, G. Rusadski (GS) 2,564; 6, C. Moya (So) 2,451; 7, Y. Kaslerischi (Russ) 2,427; 8, Se Bruguera (So) 2,387; 9, M. Ross (Critic) 2,318; 10, A. Correta (Sp) 2,225; 11, G. Kuerten (Br) 2,240; 12, T. Muster (Switz) 2,239; 13, J. Bjorioman (Swe) 2,182; 14, F. Marnilla (So) 2,127; 15, P. Korda (Cz Rag) 2,029; 16, R. Krallosk (Hol) 1,599; 17, T. Erroytes (Swe) 1,899; 18, M. Philippoussis (Aus) 2,837; 19, T. Harman (GS) 1,675; 20, A. Costa (Sp) 1,819 WTA RANKINGS: 1, M. Hangle (Switz) Fishing ROWING WEVERIDGE SCULLS (unmess), Singless Merr. Ophr.; 1, G. Pooley (Leander) Termi Struct. Senior one: P. Cobbet (Matern) 18:09. Senior one: P. Cobbet (Matern) 18:09. Senior three: J. Warnock (London) 18:05. Senior three: J. Warnock (London) 18:05. Senior three: J. Warnock (London) 18:07. Veterner: J. Seniore: Maynerd (S. Georgea) 18:38. Newton: T. Hudson (London) 18:37. Veterner: J. Seniore: (Walton) (Mapham) and Mapham) 12:30. Veterner: Walton (Mapham) and Mapham) 12:30. Veterner: Walton (Mapham) and Mapham and Shift) 12:33. Newton: Thampson (Martin and Shift) 12:33. Newton: Thampson (Martin and Shift) 12:33. Newton: Thampson (Martin and Shift) 12:33. Newton: Thampson (Martin) 12:37. Women; Singles: Open: Novice: A von Lapmonton (Thamps) 14:30. Senior one: A von Lapmonton (Martin) 14:30. Senior one: Chalmet (Warnock) 15:09. Junior: C. Holmet (Warnock) 15:09. Senior one: Mortisler and Thampson Machanolt and Oxide) 13:48. Senior two: Thampson (Mounton) and Sacchil) 14:18. Junior: King's Contentions (Machin) 14:18. Junior: King's Contentions) Machin and Houghton) 14:03. TIME TRIAL: Brighton Mitter CC: (25 miles): 1, S Yotes (Teem Clean) 50/27 (course end event record), 2 Prebale (Membley RC) 51/39, 3, A Archer (GS invecta) 53/19. Teem: Teem Clean 2-48/18 BASEBALL BOXING IGNIC'S CYNNIC Pride of the East C Louis (Inswich) 14. S. Parker (ling's Lynn), 12 (eller a run-oil), 1 Topinia (king's Lynn), 12. S. Wigg (ling's Lyan), 12. DOWER: World shore champonnings: Man: Yearn: 1, Wales First day 1st second day, 1st, fund day 2nd, bourt day; 2nd, Botz, 2 England (2nd, 3nd, 1st, 1st) 7, 3. Scotland (4ln, 2nd, 3nd, 1st, 1st) 7, 3. Scotland (4ln, 2nd, 3nd, 1st, 1st) 7, 3. Mansh (Eng) 21, 3, J. Jones (Wales) 18; 52: 8 D Nell (Scot) 56, 7 B Westgarth (Eng) 53: 8 D Nell (Scot) 56, 7 B Westgarth (Eng) 58: 9 J Fraser (Wales) 63. Worner: barner, 1; Frence 11gaz, 2 England 12, 3 Wales 14, Individual: 1, N Friconc (Cro) 28ps; 2 H-M Individual: 1, N Friconc (Cro) 28ps; 2 H-M Individual: 1, N Friconc (Eng) 56; 1, Lusting (Wales) 58; 9, J Hydia (Eng) 615, 11, Carrington (Eng) 64: 13, E Davies (Eng) 67 LEDYARD, Commedict: World Seen Association waterweight championship: Quartey (Ghana, holder) bt J L Lopez (Ma WORLD SERIES; Flonda 7 Cleveland 4 Florda lead best-of-arren sanes 1-01 BASKETBALL pts. VIENNA, Austria: European heavyweight champioraship: Z Mavrone (Cro, holder) to V Cantatora (III rsc 4th V III rsc 4th V III rsc 4th V II SQUASH M.EXANORIA: Egyptian Open: Final: Jansher Khan (Paik) bt J. Power (Carl) 15-5, 15-7, 15-11. tournament, Semi-finals, Olympiakos eus (Gr) 89 Atenas Cordoba (Arg) 86 ago Bulls (US) 89 PSG-Racing (Fr) 82 ALOSR (SP) 1.819 WTA PARRONGS: 1, M Hingle (Switz) 6.842/str. 2, J Novothe (C2) 3.816; 3, M Seles (US) 3.429; 4, J Major (Co) 3.121; 5 A Costor (SA) 3.085; 6, L Davenport (US) 2.81; 7, I Soldee (Horn) 2,418; 8, M Perote [F] 2.409; 9, A Sanctez Vicario (Sp) 2.156, 10, C Mantinez (Sp) 2.135; 11, A Histor (Cer) 2.088; 12, M J Fernandez (US) 1,970; 13, S Testud (F-) 1,718; 14, S Graf (Ger) 1.883; 15, B Schulz-McCerthy (Holf) 1,634; 16, R Dragomir (Horn) 1,445; 17, S Appelmans (Be) 1,403; 18, B Paulis (Austria) 1,286; 19, L Raymond (US) 1,385; 20, Y Besuld (Instal 1,289; 21, K Po (US) 1,388, 32, N Tsucter (Fr) 1,181; 25, N Zyerova (Bela) 1,107; 24, K Habsudows (Slovelde) 1,087; 25, E Ukhowtsevs (Fuse) 1,044. SYDNEY: Women's world champion-ships: Semi-finale: \$ Fitz-Genitr' (Aus) bit 5 Widn) (Engl 9-2 9-4; Ni Marin (Aus) bit C Owens (Aus) 6-9, 9-2, 9-5, 10-5 Final: Fitz-Genald bit Martin 9-5, 5-9, 6-4, 9-2, 9-3. MOTOR RACING off: Arenas Cordoba 85 PSG-Recing Chicago Bulls 104 Olympishos 78 DONANGTON PAPIC 55th RAC Tourist Tropby (25 taps, 48 50 miles); 1, A Marro (Sartz, Renast Laguna) 30min 99,205nor; 2, J Rato (GB, Ranast Laguna) at 2min 907-ror; 3, R Rydal (Son Votro 981) 5276, 5, Y Rasier (Fr. Audi A4), 16,709, 6, A Red (GB, Riesas Renast), 13,576, 5, Y Rasier (Fr. Audi A4), 16,709, 6, A Red (GB, Riesas Parinara) 20,2237, Y May (BB, Form Mondeo) 25,5515; 8, A Haline (Sar, Votro 540), 29,000, 9, J Birtchife (GB, Audi A4 questro) 36,209, Formula Opel Valvolino bistices Capt Huse (720 lagana), 20 miles 1, W Ebraham (Bh, 25ma) 36,684 (set, 2, 8), 12,605. Formula Vasachel Junior Winlar Sarker, Final 29, lagana), 3, G Anapole (9), 12,605. Formula Vasachel Junior Winlar Sarker, Final 29, lagana), 50 miles; 1, A Pezzola, (Bh), 3 tonin 41,698 sec., 2, K Hall (GB) 6,490; 3, A Durbushine (GB) 8,193. BUDWEISER LEAGUE: Seturday: Derby 93 Traines, Valley 83: Nevicastie 85 Worthing 55, Walford 67 Chester 105; Junct-ester 74 Crystal Palace 70, Worthing 103 Leopards 109 ROLLESTONE: Curnors Bellish clearlt. Quarter-finale: D Tochinson (Kerli) bi J Russel (Kerli) 9-5, 8-10, 10-8, 9-2; C Leach (Werwickshin) bi D Walsh (Kolts) 9-5, 5-8, 9-4, 9-2, Dale (Northumberland) bi B Ball (Suffolk) 9-3, 9-5, 10-8; B Food (Kerli) bi L-Roltonia (Kerli) 5-9, 9-5, 3-1, 6-9, 9-6. GOLF ORLANDO, Frence: Weil Danney Casalic Leading Third-round exames (Lived Casaling Third-round exames (Lived Casaling Third-round exames (Lived Casaling Third-round Ft, 68, 65, 200: P Statement 84, 67, 70: D Forstward 77, 68, 65, 202: B Glastone 67, 67, 68, 68 Dalacharie 68, 68, 68, 203: Liverson 70, 67, 68; B Tustay 68, 69, 68, 203: Liverson 70, 67, 68; B Tustay 68, 69, 68, 21 Tryba 57, 68, 68; T S McFloy 70, 65, 68, 204: 1 Tryba 57, 68, 68, 57, Cabos 67, 68, 69, J Cook 68, 66, 70: K Burton 69, 68, 67, 76, 77 Debursh 74, 68, 68, 77 Cabos 69, 67, 68, 68, 77 Cabos 69, 77, 67, 12 Jahrnen 73, 65, 67, 72 Third for facility of the first facility of the fa TENNIS LYON: Man's tournament Counter-Frais: Y Kajainstov (Russ) bt M-K Gäliner (Get) 6-4, 7-5, M Philippouses (Aut) bt C Prointe (F) 6-9, 3-6, 7-6, Sent-Frais: T Hazs (Get) in Kajeinstov 4-6, 6-4, 6-3; F Sentoro (F) bt Philippouses 6-4, 6-2; Fine: Sentoro bt Hass 6-4, 6-4. SNOOKER TRIATHLON ردامی Crystal Palace BOURNEMOUTH INTERNATIONAL CENTRE: Grand Price Third round: D Haroid (Gray bt J Burnett (Scot) 5-3: D Date (Males) to S Dane (Frog) 5-2: M Shartane (Wales) bt S Dane (Frog) 5-2: M Shartane (Wales) bt M Williams (Wales) 5-4: W Shartane (Scot) bt D Roma (Gray 5-1: Atchimum (Scot) bt D Roma (Gray 5-1: Atchimum (Scot) bt D Roma (Gray 5-2: J Perrott (Eng) bt B Mangan (Eng) 5-5: M King (Gray) 5-5: M King (Gray) bt J Waltane (Thail 5-1; P Hunter (Eng) bt S Loe (Eng) 5-1 KARLIA-KONA, Hawait Incomen Woold championship: Men; 1 Y Helinggal (Ger) 873 387m 01sac; 2 J Zack (Ger) 839 183, Lother Leder (Ger) 840 30; 4 P Red (Cer) 843 18; 5, C Bustos (China) 8:44 02 8, C Wideli (LS) 8:45, 18; 7, KGah (LS) 8:45, 37; 18; 16 Lorenz (Ger) 8:45, 55; 9, A Tauberi (Ger) 8:47.49; 10, F Heldoom (Hol) 8:49 44 Women: 1, H Fuhr, (US) 9:31 45; 2 4 Women: 1, H Fuhr, (US) 9:31 45; 2 1, S Source (Cer) 8:47 42; 3, F Keller (Br) 9:50.02 Not including lest night's matches NATIONAL LEADUR: Merr Fiest divisions: Covertry 91 Notingham 59, Guiddord 78 Oxford 67 Richmond 89 Mid Sussex 82. Sevenacy 71 Vestimmskir 60 Becand divisions Sough 80 Finishine 65 Soleni 79 Chesangton 83 Cardiff C 100 Asion 69 Their divisions: Barring and Dagerinam 91 Southampton 89 Manchester 74 Leiosster 64 Taurition 97 Sheffield 61 Women: First division: NPI London 70 Ipswich 80, North-ampton 55 Sheffield 69; Spathoune 54 North-ampton 53 Second division: Phymouth 46 Tyre and Wear 63 Richmond 56 Chelmotoid 42; Spethome 97 Doncaster 49 Not including last night's matches ORIENTEERING OSTRA/A: Man's fournispent: Senti-finals: K Kucara (Stovalca) bt 3 harmonic (Cro) 8-3 set th hismonic (Swe) bt 7 Muster (Austra) 6-7, 6-2, 7-5. Final: Kucara bt Norman 4-2 set. CINDSPECTO, Go. Brillati Ma-ional Buent, Merr (Mirni; 1, N. Pugh, [Guldford] 94min 13acc; 2, T. Hert (Bert-shiet) 95-29, 3, C. Adams (S. Vodsahet) 97-38 Wonjan B.Shriz, 1, S. Schilptayman (Germany) 72-16, 2, L. Campboll (Byr) 74-18, 3, N. Buckley (Darwint Valley) 75-40, CYCLING Th. 61. 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Robellin (fi) 238, 5, Jalabert (Fr) 214 Barcelone, Spain; International Mondulc Climb: 15 majes; 1, Jalabert (Fr, ONCE) 1tr 35eec; 2, A. Zufle (Swaz, ONCE) at 2sec; 3, D. Clawero (Sp. Estapona) 46; 4, F. Casagranda (f. Saeco) at Irran 32sec; 5, A. Nos (fi. Asca) 148; 8, F. Garcia (Sp. Teams Catlord CRT 8:52-17. TRACK Manchester: National Cycling Centre: BCF Sprinters' Lengue: 1, P. Jacques (Chy of Edinburgh RC): 2, C Hoy (Chy of Edinburgh): 3, 5 Whitcomise (Chy of Edinburgh): 20km scratcht: 1, P. Jacques: 2, J. Hargreanes: (Spretterd Wh): 3, J. Taylor (Harlow CC): Dwift tales hindmost: 1, J. Hargreanes: 2, J. Teylor: 3, J. Notley (Manchester Phoenis): 10tem pointies: 1, J. Hargreanes: 2, J. Notley. HONG TONIG: Men's tournement: Blue group: T Johansen: (Sine) bt J Ginstelle, (US) 7-5, 7-5 Gold group: B Boday (Ber) bt J Stark (US) 4-5, 6-4, 6-3, Red group: S Daper (Aus) bt V Spedies (US) 6-1, 6-3, Semi-lender: B Black (Zm) bt Boday 7-6, 8-7, 6-4, G Runten (Br) bt Draper 6-5, 6-4, Finel: Sleck bt-Kuarten 6-3, 6-7, 6-2, 3-6, 7-6. RUGBY LEAGUE SPEEDWAY MATIONAL CONFERENCE LEAGUE Pro-raier devialors Duckey Hill 6 Okthorn St Annro's 28; Egrennort 30 Maryfeld 28; Lock Lares 30 Asiam 18: Saddasacrih 19 Hassorth 20; West Hull 21 Basenby 10; Virgan 31 Pation's 16 Leigh Manes 16; Woodston 31 Walney Centrel 18 Filest AMATEUR LEAGUE Colord Color 51 Angles Angles (powers and Kings 3 year) 27: Ordert Color 48 Western Wentons (Enter and Manager) 39 BOWLS EQUESTRIANISM PRESTON: Bupa Care Homes Open championship: Semi-finals, L. Gillett (Eng) bt J Proc (Wales) 7-1, 7-5, 2-7, 3-7, 7-2: D CRAVEN SHIPLY Seni-insi. 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Firmit division Both: Triest Adebayo, Callard, De Glanville, Earnsnew Nool, Peticra Sleightholmo Gones Calland 2 Carl, Petic Calland Bristoh Triest Maggis, Pearce Con: Burke, Pen: Burke, Att 7,800 Second division north 22 Sandel 11 Sandel 37 Aspatria 21 Marchaster 36 Kendal 29 Sirmingham/S 25 Water 35 12 30 31 19 37 28 Northampton 25 Leicester PROMED DIVISION Correct 2 November 2: Donaster 2: East General 3; Okt Loughtonians 8 Beautin 1; Record 3 Bartard Tigers 0; Southquie 6 Centerbury 4; Teddington 4 Guildiord 0. NATIONAL LEAGUE Northampton, Tries: Grayson, Rodber Pens: Dawson 4, Townsend Laiceater, Pens: Stransky 2 Att 8,500 6 1 0 7 130 261 17 SECOND DIVISION: Tenby Uid 47 Aberoynon 27: Tondu 34 Kenfig H6 29. Whidand 49 \$5 Pepus's 6, Pyle 25 Lienharan 8: Tredgour 21 Ystradgyniais 13: Mourtain Ash 10 Nerberth 20. 37 Harlequins Rehmond: Tries: Bareman Chapmen, Martin C Quenos Contr. Vala 4. Pente: /a.a. 3. Hariequins: Try: Sloweri. Con: .ile, Paris: Life; 3. Alt. 5.000 St. Trecogni at Tatracgrissis 13: Mourtain Ash 10 Nerberth 20. SWALEC CUP: Second round: Aberavion Curs 46 Brynammen 16, Aberdam 20 Phyl 6 Abergavenny 62 Tumble 5, Beddau 28 Old Penerberns 14: Bedwar 52 Beddau 28 Old Penerberns 14: Bedwar 52 Beddau 28 Old Penerberns 14: Bedwar 55 Beargaren 18 Neupon 15:00 14: BF Uandary 3 Westen 31; Brynoch 10 Crossyoslog 15: Byrea 47 Baglan 10; Canton 6 Cityrydd 17: Certifil Medica 24 Phi Harman 31; Chepalow 25 Ceth Coed 18: Colwyn Bay 0 Rhages 46: Cowtoniga 25: Bengor 19: Crumin 11 Trinent 5, Cwmgorá 44 Aberasron 10; Denberh 10 Linnburdho 25, Driss Powys 25 Rhydyrien 12: Furnac Und 10 Cymgorách 25; Gamoliffath 45 Crynum 22; Galfach Gloch 41 Penelsend 21: Glas 39 Bryndrian 19: Handar 13 Abercam 28: Linnburdho Bayronson 18: Linnburdho Bayronson 18: Linnburdho Benydrama 21: Linnburdho Benydrama 18: Linnburdho Benydrama 21: Linnburdho Benydrama 22: Linnburdho Benydrama 21: Linnburdho Benydrama 22: Li 25 Newcestle Sale: Tree: Moore, F. Smith. 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BOWLING Surt 8-0-40-1; Angust 6-0-34-0; Odoyo 4-0-47-1; Karm 6-0-25-0; Tisolo 10-0-38-0; Shelich 9-0-43-1; Odombre 6-0-26-1 MENYA. B Chudatenta b A Whitali S C Titolo b A Whitali S C Titolo b A Whitali S C Titolo b A Whitali H Mod c B C Strang b G J Flower 97 A Vaster o Campbol b P A Strang 07 T Odoyo c table b P A Strang 37 T Surj ant out 37 S Say ant out 37 A Kaster and out 38 S Shelit law G J Flower 33 J Angust and out 38 J Angust and Enrigend 27 Cardiff 27 Bridgend: Tree: Cull L. Cavret, France. Cons: Cull 2 Pens: Cull 2 Cardiff Tree: Howley Hungheys, Kacala, penalty by Cons: Jarvis 2 Pen: Jarvis Total (8 velos, 50 overs) Naterios Objectivy A Huxide did not but FALL OF WICKERS: 1-154, 2-154, 2-179, 4-193, 5-246, 6-262, 7-266, 6-278. 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Warlow 3 GROUP C: Glerrothes 6 Aberdeen GSFP 31; Grangemouth 12 Gordonians 17 30; Mill Hill 10 Wattiond GS 22; Old Swinner Hospital 65 King Edward's, Aston 12: November 10 Outches FISS 2; Proparacial Hill 10 Outches FISS 3; Proparacial Hill 17 Churcher's 12: OLEH, Bristol 34 Quesa's Teurison 5; RISS Guidtord 16: St. John's Leatherhead. 18; RISS Worthester 18 Cheleriters 13; St. Albers 17 Generison 10: St. Ansethr's, Wattal 7 St. Edward's, Liverpool 35; Sherborne 10 Millsfeld 21; Samardrist, Stowe 0; Teurison 37 Prior Park 12; Tilh 3; Stowe 0; Teurison 37 Prior Park 12; Tilh 3; Stowe 0; Teurison 37 Prior Park 12; Tilh 3; Stowe 0; Teurison 37 Prior Park 12; Tilh 3; Epsom 65; Wellington (22: Worth 30 Christoper 10 Brighton'22; Worth 30 Christoper 10 Under-19 County of the 18 Singleton 0; Woodbridge 1 Wyrnanchem 0; Under-19 county change lonester, Surey 88 The Army 10. GROUP D: Glasgow Southern 45 Sellen 22 Postponed: Stewarty v Hill-heed/Jordanhill Football PREMIER LEMBLE TROPHY: Lincientik South Yorkshire 6 Currions 1; Cleveland 0 Northumbesland 0, North Yorkshire 0 Ourham 5; Greater Manchester 1 Cheshire 1 Linder-16; Elouth Yorkshire 5 Chimbris 4 Oeveland 2 Northumberland 1 Full Film Trophy; Second round; Manchester 2 Chadley 0, Southerspiton 2 Jersey 1, Second-round repleyet Select 0 Wigen 3; Cannot, 2: Nuneaton 3, Reeding, 5 Gouthernount 0, Menegaride Competitions Selton 6 Chester 0, Week McCander Lengue; Aston 1 Solithul 4; Wyre Franst 3 Halesowén and Stouthridge 1; West Bromstell 0 Wolvethampton 3, Goodhand Trophy; South Notes 7 Christoly 0, Northern Merit League: Bractord 1 Stackpool 1; Brachburn 0 Kirkoy 3, Wright Cup: First round: Haven? 2 South Dosso 0 Chariter Lengue: Gosport and Fareham 4 Isle of Wight 0, Yorkshire Trophy: Welanfield 2 Span Valloy I, Inter-Association; Carlisle 0 Hartlepod 3, Bernstey 2 Leads 2; Createrfield 3 Welsell 4, Deby 2 Potestronough 0, Merufield 2 Hull 1; Shoffled 4 Notinghem 1, Talbox Cup: Under-14; Obigam 1 Minociafield 3; Buy 2 Saitord 3. Football 27 Nooth Swartsea Swerress, Tries' Back, Booth, Grabham, Haulin Cons. A Thomas, 4 Williams' Perc. A Thomas, Neath, Tries: G Evens, Horgan, Conc. Prior. Pens. Price 2 SRU inter-district Umpres: N Junor and K T France BOWLING. B C Storng 6-25-Q A Whitell 102-27-3 P A Storng 102-37-3; G J Flower 9 1-0-44-2 A Huckle 6-0-38-Q G J Whitell 5-0-16-0 Jewson National League Orthogrey In Joint 24th II Transact Street Hours of Ioury Streets In June 2015 In J championship Cont Prior Pens Price 2 PW 0 L F A T 8 Pe Swensea 5 2 0 0 112 4217 3 12 Canda1 3 2 1 0 92 55 10 1 8 Rodgend 3 2 1 0 76 67 8 0 7 Langli 3 1 0 2 96 7213 2 5 Elbor Vale 3 1 0 2 47 122 5 0 0 Newbort 5 0 0 3 50 25 7 0 0 FALL OF WICKETS: 1-3, 2-57, 3-83, 4-104 5-127, 6-165, 7-172 First division 38 Edinburgh Gleagow: Tries: Craig 2, Hayes, Const. 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Stewart on song as Newcastle cut loose

By Norman de Mesquita

AYR Scottish Eagles, Cardiff Devils, Manchester Storm and Newcastle Cobras are through to the semi-finals of the Benson and Hedges Cup. The most emphatic performance in the second-leg matches on Saturday came from Newcastle, who, having been held to a 1-1 draw at home by Basingstoke Bison in the first leg, won 5-1 in the return. Each team scored once in the first period but, from midway through the second, Newcastle took over with Brett Stewart claiming a hat-trick. Because of the unavailabili-

ty of Sheffield Arena, the teelers and Cardiff played their legs home and away on Friday and Saturday. A goal by Steve Moria with less than two minutes remaining gave Cardiff a 3-2 edge in the first leg but, after one period in the second leg, the Steelers were

level on aggregate.
Then the Devils found their form, scoring five times in the second period and, but for Piero Greco who made 35 saves in the Sheffield goal, the Devils could have been even more emphatic winners.

The Eagles gained ample revenge for their defeat at the hands of Nottingham Panthers in the semi-finals of the Superleague play-offs last year, following up their 4-2 home win with a 4-3 away

The Eagles boosted their aggregate lead to three with a goal by Jeff Hoad, the former Nottingham player, in the first period but the Panthers scored three times in the second to draw within one overall, only to concede two goals in the final session.

Manchester Storm were clearly not inconvenienced by their midweek trip to the Czech Republic, where they gained their first win in the European League, and beat through on a 7-6 aggregate. This was another game in which the losing goaltender stood out, with Mark Bernard facing 45 shots.



No quarter is asked, and none given, as Hampton tackle Glantaf in The Times St Joseph's College National Schools Festival

Wakefield rewrite the script

IN SCHOOLS

FOR those of a sensationalist disposition, the signs were quite promis-ing. Independent schools sport has incurred some unsavoury publicity with cricket teams refusing to play each other and standards of behaviour under scrutiny.
Combine that with rugby's reput-

ation for violence interrupted by sporadic outbursts of play, and one had a potentially heady mix at The Times St Joseph's College National Schools Festival at Ipswich this weekend. There were no scandals, fortunately, but enough uncompromising action to confirm that this was not the idle pursuit of prepubescent schoolboys.

The teams were clearly playing to win, as a vote of thanks to the St John Ambulance Brigade brought home. The volunteers attended to more than 100 casualties and ten were taken to hospital.

Colston's Collegiate School were the holders and a team of giants, physically and metaphorically, compared to others. They kept the referees and opposition "sponges" busy. One hapless defender, laid

le from their granite-like No 6, had to be peeled off the turf and have his nose readjusted becontinuing. Colston's reputation as a rugby school is formidable. Unlike some others they take on boys on scholar-

ships and twice in

the past three years have won the festival and the Daily Mail Cup: in the other year they won the cup. Since 1992 they have provided 12 international players. To some observers, they are border-ing on semi-professional.

Elizabeth Grammer Wakefield, losers to School. Colston's in previous years, qualified to meet them in the festival final, for the De La Salle Trophy, yesterday. "Here we go again," said a member of the Wakefield coaching staff as the players took the field. "A grammar school versus the Bath finishing school." One or two crunching tackles later, it was easy

matter of time before Coiston's got the ball out to their

started pouring in. Wakefield, though, refused to lie down and kept making their tackles. Colston's, whose handling was a class above everybody else's, simply

could not break them down. It was tense, dour stuff, but Wakefield's fitness stood them in good stead and late in the game they were awarded penalty. It was farther out than the kick

that had earlier won Kelvin Lock, of Bedford Modern School, the longkicking competition but James Burrough duly sneaked it over for a 3-0 win. When the final whistle went, the Wakefield party went wild. Colston's looked stunned.

Both schools had won their six qualifying games with Colston's scoring far more points. But per-

haps the writing was on the wall because in their last match before the final they struggled to beat Bromsgrove, 12-10.

The tournament, now in its eleventh year, is one of the most prestigious rugby tournaments in the independent sector and scouts from the big clubs were again in attendance. Sixteen of the sport's leading schools are invited to take part over the two days.

The trophy is competed for by the two top teams from each of four qualifying pools. The other eight teams contested a plate competition, won this year by RGS Wycombe who beat Merchiston College, Edinburgh, winners of the trophy last year, 13-12. All matches consist of 15 a side and two 15-minute periods, which adds up to a physically demanding programme for the most successful teams, who play seven 30-minute matches within 36

The festival, which has been a breeding ground for young talent, was blessed with some glorious weather, was superbly organised and well attended, with a crowd for the trophy final of several hundred.



No one looks like winning their spurs at **Tottenham**



Gerry Francis must go, eh?

That's what the fans are saying - well, those who turn up.

The others are voting with their feet, then?

While Arsenal are fretting about how they can expand Highbury because all 38,000 seats are spoken for, nine games out of ten. White Hart Lane has empty spaces almost every match, despite being nearly a fifth smaller. The venerable ground, once graced by Greaves, Gilzean and Gazza, was full only a handful of times last season.

But Spurs are a big club, aren't they!

Traditionally, one of the big five, along with Manchester United, Liverpool, Arsenal and Everton. They were the first club to come to the stock market and led the way in money-making schemes such as sponsorship, executive boxes and merchandising.

What's happened, then?

In recent years, the balance of power has shifted and Spurs have been left behind. They have not won anything for six years and, if you were drawing up a big five now, it would be Manchester United, Liverpool, Arsenal, Newcastle United and either Chelsea or Aston Villa.

Is this all the fault of Alan Sugar, the chairman?

Some might say so, but others say he is the club's saviour. The previous management — Irving Scholar and Paul Bobroff — drove the club to the brink of collapse. Terry Venables, then the manager, brought in Sugar to bankroll the company, but they fell out as Sugar started trying to run Spurs as a business. On those terms, Sugar has succeeded — operating profits went from £1.14 million in 1993-94 to around £16 million last reason. The club is now valued on the stock market at £92 million.

But he hasn't given Francis any money to spend on players.

Wrong again. Sugar has actually allowed Francis to spend more than £20 million. Apparently, Sugar was prepared to let Francis spend £4 million to bring Gascoigne back from Laxio.

So throwing money about is not always the answer!

With clubs traded on the stock market, it is now a much more interesting balance. For instance, Newcastle United's full-year figures, which are out tomorrow, will show the benefits of selling Les Ferdinand a matter of hours before the end of the company's financial year.

The Newcastle board was desperate not to show a big loss in its first year on the stock market. But after joining Spurs for £6 million, Ferdinand has also taken up residency in the treatment-room. A couple more poor acquisitions by Spurs will not only put pressure on Francis but also

Only if he wants to. He controls 40 per cent of the company and calls the shots. He has dealt with more pressurised situations than this in the past and survived. The same cannot be said for Francis.

JASON NISSÉ

House of Lords

House of Lords

Law Report October 20 1997

Compensation for employees

Walne Ltd Before Lard Goff of Chieveley. Lord Mackay of Clashlern, Lord Lloyd of Berwick, Lord Nolan and Lord Civde

(Speeches October 16)

Where there was collective industrial action for which all involved were equally responsible and for which all were dismissed, the compensation payable for unfair dismissal on the selective reengagement of some employees to those employees who were not reengaged would not be reduced to take account of contributory fault. It was impossible to judge the blameworthiness or otherwise of a

particular employee's conduct without reference to the conduct of the other employees concerned and to that of the employer. However, Individual blameworthy conduct additional to or separate from the mere act of participation in indus-trial action could in principle amount to contributory fault.

The House of Lords so held dismissing an appeal by Crosville Wales Ltd from a decision of the Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Beldam, Lord Justice Waite and Lord Justice Otton) (The Times August 4, 1995; [1996] ICR 237) allowing an appeal by Sharon Tracey and 72 other former employees of the company against a decision of the Employment Appeal Tribunal reversing the decision of an industrial tribunal not to make any deduction for contributory fault from their gwards for having been unfairly sed by the company's selec tive failure to offer re-engagement following their dismissal for tak-

Regina v Tyne Tees Tele-

Justice Ognall and Mr Justice

Any judge exercising the jurisdic-

tion to punish for contempt was

well advised to invite, although he

could not require, the alleged contemnor to be legally repre-

sented in court. As a rule it was

could obtain the assistance of

counsel or solicitors when consid-

The Court of Appeal so stated

when quashing the order made by Judge Stephenson on January 17.

Crown Court imposing on Tyne tees Television Ltd a fine of £10.000 for contempt of court.

Mr Jonathan Caplan, QC. for

the appellants; Mr Ian Burnell as

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circumstances of the case.

Before Lord Justice Beldam, Mr

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[Judgment October 9]

Buckley

that in the current state of the law an employer who had not delib-erately victimised employees through selective re-engagement should be required to pay as much compensation as if he had. It was an area which would benefit from examination by the Law

Section 62 of the Employment Protection (Consolidation) Act 1978 as amended by the Employment Act 1982, since re-enseted as sec-tion 238 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992, provides: "(I) The provisions of this section

shall have effect in relation to an employee (the 'complainant') who claims that he has been unfairly dismissed by his employer where at the date of dismissal — (a) the employer was conducting or in-stituting a lock out, or (b) the complainant was taking part in a strike or other industrial action.

"(2) In such a case an industrial tribunal shall not determine whether the dismissal was fair or unfair unless it is shown — (a) that one or more relevant employees of the same employer have not been dismissed, or (b) that any such employee has, before the expiry of the period of three months beginning with that employee's date of dismissal, been offered re-engagement and that the complainant has not been offered re-engagement.

"(3) Where it is shown that the condition referred to in paragraph (b) of subsection (2) is fulfilled, the prohibitions of sections 57 to 60 sections for any reference to the reason or principal reason for which the complainant was dis-

Alleged contemnor should

be represented

LORD JUSTICE BELDAM.

giving the judgment of the court, said that prior to the trial of a man

accused of indecent assault against

a boy aged 15, the judge had made an order under section 39 of the

Children and Young Persons Act 1933 to protect the identity of the

in a television newsreel some

words used during the trial were

quoted. That appeared to the judge to have infringed his order. He

required the attendance of a repre-

sentative of the appellants and

heard an explanation and asser-

tion that the breach was something

The judge was scrupulous in

advising the representative to take legal advice, which he did during

an adjournment. On his return to

court, without a legal adviser

being present, the representative

content that the judge should deal with the matter. The judge gave a

fine, saving that in his view it was

that the appellants were

reason of which he has not been offered re-engagement."

Mr Jeremy McMullen, QC and Mr Paul T. Rvan for Crosville: Mr Michael Burton, QC and Mr John Bowers for the employees.

LORD NOLAN said the appeal concerned the relationship be-tween the provisions of the Employment Protection Consolidation) Act 1978 concerning the refusal of an employer to re-engage striking employees who had been dismissed, and the provisions under which the compensation payable to unfairly dismissed employees might be reduced for contributory fault. Different answers had been given

mary proceedings the maximum

for such a breach was now

It had been submitted that

where Parliament specifically pro-vided a sanction for breach of a

statutors provision of that kind it

was not open to the court to deal

with the matter by way of

However, that might be, their

Lordships were satisfied that in the

present case the proper course

would have been for the matter to

be reported, if the judge thought it

necessary, for the consideration of

summary proceedings to be taken

in the circumstances the order

Solicitors: Goodman Derrick:

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would be guzshed.

by the Employment Appeal Tribunal in earlier cases. The employer dismissed 119 bus drivers who took part in a walk-out in support of union branch officers disciplined during a ban on over-time and rest day working in

support of a pay claim. Twenty-two of those dismissed were subsequently re-employed and 73 of the drivers made complaints of unfair dismissal. An ndustrial tribunal beld that there was jurisdiction to hear their complaints pursuant to section 62 of the 1978 Act 1978, now section 238 of the Trade Union and Labour Relations (Consolidation) Act 1992. That decision was upheld on appeal by the Employment Appeal

A new industrial tribunal upheld the complaints in principle and concluded that the failure of Consville Wales to re-engage the employees was unfair. The employers had failed to offer remedia and the job centre was sufficient to constitute an offer to

comply with the legislation. Crosville Wales had contended on appeal from that decision that because the employees' conduct had contributed to their dismissal. the compensation to which they became entitled in consequ the decision of the industrial tribunal fell to be reduced by such

amount as the tribunal con

just and equitable in all the The first complication was that although the complainants' claims for compensation only came into existence because of the selective re-engagement carried out by Crosville Wales, that factor had to be ignored in determining whether the compensation should be re-duced under section 73(7B) or section 74(6): Courtaulds North-ern Spinning Ltd v Moosa ([1984]

The second complication was that the tribunal had applied Courtaulds and held that it was not entitled to regard the participadon of the complainants in the industrial action as a pround for reducing their compensation. The tribunal added, that if it had been entitled to reduce the compensation on that ground it would have done so by 50 per cent, since the complainants and Crosville Wales

were equally to blame. By the time the matter came before the Employment Appeal Tribunal again the decision in Pribinal again the decision in TVT Express (UK) Ltd v Downes (1994) ICR I) had been given. The court in that case had held that where an employee had been dismissed while engaged in industrial action the merits of the case with each be considered if it could could only be considered if it could be shown that the employee had been subjected to discriminatory

ment in the matter of dismissal or re-engagement. The Employment Appeal Tri-bunal had felt bound to follow TNT, the more recent decision in not just a technical breach. It was unfortunate that the preference to the earlier Courtaulds decision. It therefore appellants were not legally repre-sented before the judge. If they had been, section 39(2) of the 1933 Act allowed the appeal of Crosville Wales, and also allowed a crossappeal by the complainants against the 50 per cent reduction, might have been drawn to his attention, under which in sumremitting that issue to the indus-

> purpose of section 62 read by itself was simply to make it plain that an or who carried out a wholesale dismissal of striking employees was prima facie immune from claims for unfair dismissal. If the matter rested there, then the section would be strong evidence of a legislative intention to keep the merits of industrial disputes out of

> But the reintroduction of the concept of unfair dismissal by way of the provisions regulating selective re-employment inevitably involved the possibility of the tribunal having to consider the case of the individual employee in the context of the industrial action

applying the provisions of section 57 as notionally reworded.

The difficulty for Crosville Wales was that when one came to the final stage of deciding whether the dismissed employees' compensation should be reduced one encountered the complication of the fairness or unfairness of the selective re-engagement had to be

ment for the employer failed, because of the sheer impossibility of the task of allocating the blame for the industrial action to any individual complainant, the more so since the collective blame for the Industrial action was shared by those who were re-engaged.

That was a consequence which Parliament could never have contemplated. The conclusion simply gave effect to the statutory rement that any reduction the compensation of an individua employee should be, and should only be, such as was just and

His Lordship accepted that a broader approach must be followed at the earlier stage when the tribunal was considering whether, in a case of selective re-engage-ment, the particular employee had been unfairly dismissed.

At that stage, particularly if the employee's conduct came into the reckoning under section 57(2(b), it might well be essential to compare the treatment accorded to that employee with the treatment accorded to others, and to have regard to the employer's conand to the general merits of the

But even there his Lordship

would stop short of accepting that the consideration of the matter by the tribunal must necessarily extend to the collective merits or erits of the industrial action. The point was not before their Lordships and so it would be wrong to attempt to decide it, but

one could not ignore the prepon-derance of judicial opinion over the last 20 years to the effect that whole policy of the law as ensturined in the 1974 Act and the later enactments was to withdraw the law from the field of industrial dis-His Lordship dismissed the ap

peal, but with little sense of result, or the state of the law which had given rise to it. It was not, after victimisation by the employers, but they were being required to pay as much compensation as if it had been.

That area of the law appeared to his Lordship to be one which would benefit from the attention of the Law Commission. Lord Golf, Lord Mackay, Lord Lloyd and Lord Clyde agreed. Solicitors: Dickinson Dees,

Newcastle upon Tyne: Jack

Thornley & Partners, Ashton-

lary, Ex parte Begley Regina v McWilliams it was at that point, to his Lordship's mind, that the argu-

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ving reasons for having on July I Dismissed un appeal by Charle

him during police interviews following his arrest under section

arrest under section 14(1).

Mr Kevin Finnegan, QC and Mr Seamus Treacy, both of the North-ern Ireland Bar, for McWilliams;

LORD BROWNE-WIL-KINSON said that the common law recognised a general right in That development was reflected

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Northern Ireland, and the right was extended to persons suspected of having committed offences under the terrorism provisions.

Terrorism suspect has no right to solicitor at interview To that legislation, his Lordship would turn later. But the present

case was concerned with the

separate and independent question

an established common law right

to have a solicitor present during

police interviews regardless of the

which he was arrested.

nature of the offence in respect of

Needless to say, there was no decision or dictum in support of such a right. If the Judges Rules

had been formulated on the suppo-

sition that a suspect already had a

legal right to have his solicitor

present during interview, it was inconceivable that such a right and

the necessary qualifications to it would not have been spelt out in

the elaborate statement of the rights of a suspect in the Judges

Counsel had argued that even if

the right to have a solicitor present during interview had not been established by specific judicial decision it was, nevertheless, part of the corpus of the common law.

They argued that the rationale of

the general principle, which gave a

suspect a right to consult a solicitor

outside the interview room, was fairness; and that fairness simi-

larly demanded the recognition, subject to qualifications which they

had put forward, of a general principle that any suspect should be entitled to have his solicitor

What a court of law would have

decided if such a common law

issue had been presented to it was a hypothetical point. His Lordship

was far from saying that a court could not have developed by

analogy with the right to consult a solicitor privately a further right for the solicitor to be present

during police interviews in aid of the fairness of the pre-trial proce-dure. But he was quite satisfied that such a common law principle had not been established to date.

That brought him to the alter-native argument that the House

should now, by analogy with the right to consult a solicitor outside

the interview room and on the ground of fairness, recognise a suspect's right to be accompanied

by his solicitor in a police inter-

That argument was reinforced

the fact that by the Criminal

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vhether every accused person had

Regina v Chief Constable of the Royal Ulster Constabu-

Before Lord Browne-Wilkinson, Lord Lloyd of Berwick, Lord Steys. Lord Hoffmann and Lord Hope of Craighted

A person arrested in Northern Ireland under section 14 of the Prevention of Terrorism (Temporary Provisions) Act 1989 had no right to be accompanied and advised by his solicitor during interviews with the police. The House of Lords so held in

Begley from the decision of the Divisional Court of the Queen's Rench Division in Northern Ire land on March 6, 1996 to dismis his application for an order of certionari to quash decisions of the Royal Ulster Constabulary refus-ing to permit a solicitor to attend

2 Dismissed an appeal by Thomas Court of Appeal (Lord Justice Hutton, Lord Chief Justice, Lord Justice Carswell and Lord Justice Nicholson) dated September 20, 1996 dismissing his appeal against his conviction for murder in Belfast Crown Court, a ground of his appeal having been the refusal to allow his solicitor to be present during police interviews after his

Mr A. D. Harvey, QC and Mr J. F. Larkin, both of the Northern treland Bar, for Begley; Mr R. E. Weatherup. QC and Mr Bernard McCloskey, both of the Northern Ireland Bar, for the Crown.

Mr J. A. Creaney, QC and Mr P. T. Lynch, both of the Northern Ire-land Bar, for the Crown.

an accused person to communicate and consult privately with his solicitor outside the interview

in the Judges Rules and Administrative Directions to the Police which were published as Home That principle was subsequently enshrined in legislation in Eng-land and Wales as well as in

Evidence (Northern Ireland) Order (SI 1988 No 1987 (NI 20)) the right of an accused person to remain silent in interview had been attenuated by the court's power to draw adverse inference reasonable for the accused to be-

forthcoming in his responses to There was considerable force in that argument but it spuid not be vorced from the legislative frame-work made applicable to Northern

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The power of the House to develop the law was limited and could be exercised only in the gaps left by Parliament. It was impermissible for the House to develop the law in a direction which was contrary to the ex-pressed will of Parliament. And that was in truth what the House was being asked to do. ..

Under section 58 of the Police and Criminal Evidence Act 1984 any suspect, including a suspect arrested under section 14(1) of the 1989 Act, had a fegal right to consult privately with a solicitor as well as a right to have a solicitor present during interview.

That represented the law in England and Wales. A different regime applied in Northern Ire-

It was true that under the 1984 Act legislation applicable in North-ern Ireland a suspect had both the rights already described but that did not apply to a person arrested or detained under the terrorism provisions: see article 59(12) of the Police and Criminal Evidence (Northern Ireland).Order (SI 1989) No 1341 (NT 12)).

A suspect detained under the terrorism provisions was merely entitled to consult privately with a solicitor: see section 15 of the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1987; section 45 of the Northern Ireland (Emergency Provisions) Act 1991; and section 47 of the Northern Ireland (Emergency

The Code of Practice issued under section 61 of the 1991 Act was there reference to any right in a person arrested under terrorism provisions to have a solicitor present during interview.

The differential treatment of persons suspected of having committed offences under the terrorism provisions in Northern Ireland was plainly part of a deliberate legislative policy.

It was the clearly expressed will of Parliament that persons

arrested under section (4(1) should not have the right to have a solicitor present during interview. in those circumstances, his Lordship would reject the invitation to develop such a right as beyond the power of the House of Lords.

Lord Lloyd, Lord Steyn, Lord Hoffmann and Lord Hope agreed. Solicitors: B. M. Birnberg & Co for John J. Rice & Newtownards: Treasury Solicitor.
Madden & Finucane, Belfast,
Director of Public Prosecutions.

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John Young introduces a two-page report on the importance of design in boosting British business and the economy

It's time to back Britain's boffins

mercially important innovations in the past half century have originated in the United Kingdom. Going fur-ther back, British invention has been responsible for nearly three quarters of all significant new industrial Revolution.

Such a claim might seem an outrageous piece of chauvinistic hype, were it not for the fact that it comes from the government trade and industry department in Japan. Last year it was cited by Barbara Roche, now Minister for Small Businesses, to support her assertion that Britain loses about £165 billion a year in GNP by failing to take advantage of its inventions.

A rime-honoured perception is that the Brits, while brilliant at dreaming up new ideas, are too lazy to translate them into welldesigned, marketable and reliable products, thus leaving it to their competitors to reap the rewards.

It is not a view that Andrew Summers, chief executive of the Design Council, accepts as ever having been wholly true, and is one that he would rebut today. While not complacent, he asserts that there has been a drastic change in attitudes and a recognition that, if Britain is to remain an industrial power, it will have to exploit and perfect as well as innovate.

Mr Summers would be the last to claim that the change coincides with his own appointment less than three years ago. But he does believe that during his time an organisation that was perceived as overstaffed and out of touch has

Drastic cuts in staff by up to 80 per cent, and the selective employment of freelance consultants have. he says, altered the council's method of operation. The result has been renewed confidence on the part of



Summers: encouraged

tional authorities in its importance for the nation's economic future. Mr Summers cannot resist a certain satisfaction at the encouragement he and his colleagues received at the recent Labour Party conference. He has with him an extract from the Prime Minister's speech, describing the British as by nature and tradition innovators, adventurers and pioneers, and still world leaders in design and creativity. "Delegates showed a lot of interest in the council's work and said we were doing some very good things," he says.

Political approval, however welcome. is less important than the marked shift in the attitudes of businessmen and industrialists. "From a situation where no one ever asked us for anything, we are now overwhelmed with requests for help and advice," he says.

"It is far easier for us to make contact with outside organisations than in the old days when their attitude seemed to be 'Don't waste our time"." The improvement in communications has been matched by renewed interest on the part of the media, with more coverage of the council's work.

In broader terms, Mr Summers

its share of world markets is by offering added value in the form of better design and improved technology. The era when companies sought to remain competitive by shedding staff and cutting costs is largely over, he says. The emphasis now is on innovation.

The greatest single advance is likely to be in electronic communications. "We need to understand and put ourselves in a position to appreciate the power they will exert. The way in which communications are designed and fitted into business systems will make a hell of a difference in how business nctions in the years to come."

Mr Summers draws a distinction between invention, which produces new concepts, and design, which brings those concepts to the mar-ket. He concedes that, in the development of computers for example, the invention of the microchip was a crucial breakthrough. But the key to their public acceptance has been designing equipment that customers want and are confident they can use.

ritain's recovery from in-dustrial decline has been recognised by the number of international com-panies now investing here. But there is still a long way to go, he

While the perception of Britain among overseas investors and customers has improved, there is still a complacency, a belief that British is best. Although wary of taking political sides. Mr Summers nonetheless applauds Tony Blair's vision of a more open and tolerant society. "We must at all costs avoid any attempt to be exclusive," Mr Summers says. "Creativity is international. Our future lies in export-

ing ideas as well as products."

Only a cynic would suggest that this is what we have been doing all along and have been forced to pay



Andrew England Kerr, left, and Brian Ollis, hold on to Michael England Kerr as he demonstrates the lifejacket in a reservoir

Happy landings for anglers who cast off

n inflatable fishing Jacket invented by a Birmingham entrepreneur has helped in the rescue of three fisherman since its launch last year

The Doctor's Jacket is designed to be as good as any fishing jacket on the market, but has the added benefit of a lifesaving device through a method of automatic self-inflation and a self-righting

It is the work of Andrew Eng-land Kerr and his brother Michael. Their company, Englands Fly Fishers, now exports the jacket not only throughout Europe but to

LIFELACKETS specialist, it was awarded a destinations including Russia, Japan, South America and America.

£25,000 development grant.
Mr Ollis says: "The designs were
first-rate, combining fashion and Andrew says: "We dedicated the cket to the memory of our late father, Dr W.A. England Kerr, style with a unique life-saving who came from Inverness. The function. It was obvious that the second reported life saved was that of the local dentist in inverness? product had enormous potential. There was nothing else like it on in April last year the company contacted Business Link Birmingthe European market."

The secret is an automatic inflaham for help in applying for a tion device which responds to regional innovation grant, and water pressure and means that if a after advice from Brian Ollis, the casualty is unconscious or unable Link's innovation and technology

Andrew had in the past gone to the assistance of two people who got into difficulties in the water, and was convinced of the need for life saving appliances to be worn.

Bringing a

thing like this was only the start of the process, which has taken five years. "We have had to source technically complex fabrics, fastenings, inflation mechanisms, plus fight our way through the maze of regulations that surround lifesaving clothing," he says.

CHRISTOPHER WARMAN

A model of wall to wall success

CARPET DESIGN

hen Ulster Carpet
Mills won the UK Quality Award for Business Excellence last year it was the first time that a design-based business had taken the UK's leading prize for business excellence. Christopher Warman writes. A year on Daniel

McLarnon, corporate services director, is convinced that the company's success can be attributed to its commitment to the Business Excellence Model. Developed as a route-

planner for companies, the model sets out nine components of business process and performance, explaining how companies can assess themselves against each one to bring about improvements. The model has had a

fundamental impact on our approach to carpet design," said Mr McLarnon. "When we came to evaluate our policies and strategies we realised that we were not as close to our customers as we should be. Many of our corporate installations are overseas, yet our designers were in Portadown. We had



In tune: Ulster Mills

to address this isolationism in order to grow. Now we the United States and Africa as well as back home. We are much more in tune with customers and better able to anticipate changes in design tast

Richard Parker, of the British Quality Founda-tion, guardians of the Business Excellence Model in the UK, says Ulster Carpet Mills is a prime example of how the model's principles can improve results. British Quality Foundation: 0171-963-8000.

The UK must match its rivals in presentation skills, says John Young

f some statistics are said to lie, others appear frankly inexplicable. What, for example, is one supposed to make of the that, while 92 per cent of small businesses believe design provides a competitive edge, 50 per cent still think it

is a waste of money? The council's response is to declare its determination to "close the gap", a determ-ination reflected in events such as Design in Business Week, instigated last year as a means of conveying the message that better design means bigger profits. In the simplest terms, an investment of fust 1 per cent in Improved product design can lead to a 3 or 4 per cent increase in profits.

Among larger companies the message seems to have got across. The British design industry is now worth more than £12 billion a year and employs 300,000 people, accounting for 1.8 per cent of GDP and 1.2 per cent of total employment.

Manufacturing industry spends an estimated £10 billion on product development and design. About 173,000 employees - 4.5 per cent of the workforce - are involved in design, and overseas earnings by British design consultancies contribute nearly £400 million to the nation's balance of payments.

Significantly, those indus-

How image can improve profits

tries that invest most heavily in product design and develonment, such as aerospace. mechanical engineering and chemicals, are those in which Britain has a trade surplus. Although engineering and technology account for the largest block of investment. proportionately more is spent by companies engaged in the production of furniture, tex-tiles, clothing and graphics.

Yet although Britain has a disproportionately large share of "world-class" companies, their brand images seidom match the scale of their investment and turnover, Other countries, and smaller companies, have been more successful in promoting the quality. flair and

reliability of their products. British manufacturers have lagged behind their international competitors in exploiting the value to be gained from good design and promotion. A CBI report concluded that only one in ten manufacturing companies was truly innovative. and that there was an urgent need to speed up the introduction of new products.

Encouragingly, surveys in the past two years have found



Margaret Beckett: support

that the proportion of large companies recognising that design is an essential component of their work has risen from about 40 per cent to more than 66 per cent. But many small to medium-sized companies still see it as an expensive drain on resources.

Hopes that attitudes may change will find expression in Design in Business Week '97, to be opened on Thursday by Margaret Beckett, President of the Board of Trade, and intended to become an annual event. In a foreword to the accompany-ing brochure, Mrs Beckett declares that effective exploi-tation of design is a message that must be taken to heart if

offer a broad choice of venues

including London, Belfast, Warwick. Huddersfield, Bradford, Cardiff, Edinburgh, Glasgow, Norwich, Cambridge, Leicester and Plymouth. Conferences, seminars, lectures and exhibitions cover subjects ranging from innovation advice for small businesses to the use of the internet to improve communications: from environmental pressures to the design of healthcare products; and from brand promotion to encouragement for young entrepreneurs..

The voluntary sector has just one event: a seminar in London on October 29 organised by The Media Trust. From charity branding to campaign management, the seminar aims to demonstrate how to adopt a more cutting-edge approach to image and presentation. Barbara Roche, the Small

Businesses Minister, will be among the speakers at the seventh annual conference of the Institute of Business Advisers at the Hilton Hotel, Coventry, on October 25.

• Information is available from the Design Council, Haymarket House, I Oxendon Street. London SWIY 4EE. Tel: 0171-208 2121, Fax: 0171-839 6033.

Duke's award is relaunched

The Prince Philip Designers Prize, last awarded in 1994, has been revived to recognise a significant contribution to the process of design, em-phasising originality and aesthetic quality, Christopher Warman writes.

First known as The Duke of Edinburgh's Prize for Elegant Design, it has been through many different stages in its history since it was first awarded to the Prestoold "Packaway" refrigerator by C.W.F. Longman in 1959. The relaunched Prince

Philip Designers Prize 1997, to be awarded to an individual designer or leader of a design team, has new criteria. They include the entrants' influence on design standards and trends, their contribution to the perception of design and status of designers, and their success in the market place.

There are seven finalists, nominated by organ-isations invited by the Design Council, including the Arts Council, the Consumers' Association, the Federation of Small Businesses and The Royal Society. The



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The Duke: contribution

winner will be announced during Design in Business

They are: James Dyson, inventor of the revolution ary cyclone vacuum-clean-er, Sir, Norman Foster, architect; Michael Gill, developer of a range of ultrasonic flow meters, including the Ultrasonic Domestic Gas Meter, Betty Jackson, fashion designer, Ben Kelly, interior designeir Jane Priestman, architect and design management consultant; and Richard Seymour and Dick Powell, product designers.

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Julian Atkinson among some of his newly designed coffins, including a carving on a lid taken from a brass rubbing

Bringing art to an essential craft

ou might not think a coffin-maker would need to ex-A REPORT OF SOLVEN WORKS plain his product to the world, Christopher Warman writes. But a family-owned comturers J C Afkinson & Sons wanted to produce a catalogue that would promote its business to the pany from Penshaw, Tyne and Wear, has achieved successful funeral profession and enable results from producing a new catalogue designed with the help of a local Business Link design undertakers to show the range of

coffins to bereaved families. They realised that at such a sensitive time the design of the brochure Coffin designers and manufac-

Nick Devitt, design counsellor at Business Link Sunderland (now Tyneside), assisted the company in developing a design brief and finding a design company. Julian Atkinson, director of J C Atkinson & Sons, worked closely with Rufus Abajas Design in Seaham, Co Durham, to develop

the catalogue, and the use of advanced imaging computer technology enabled them to assess the brochure fully before

committing it to print, Mr Devitt said J C Atkinson & Sous had made a significant investment in design and, through careful planning, preparation and working with the appropriate design company, the

Style parade to put us ahead of the pack

major initiative was launched by the Design Council last month to identify Britain's most innovative products and services to take us into the 21st century. Successful innovations will be showcased at the Millennium Dome, in Greenwich, on regional tours and promoted around the world by the British Council.

The initiative, which will be funded by the Government through the Department of Trade and industry, was welcomed by Tony Blair, who said it would prove Britain was at the forefront of a "creative revolution".

Reminiscent in many ways of the 1951 Festival of Britain, the Millennium Products scheme aims to promote Britain at home and abroad as a design leader. Design for the future and the future of design is something that the Council is keen to promote, according to Karen Levi, director of the Millenvolved want to identify products or services which do something differently, and to highlight British successes in many fields, from

pharmaceuticals to fashion. We are aiming to identify. encourage and promote innovative products created in Britain for the next century, from the broadest range of sectors as possible," she says. "We frequently see innovations as one-off examples in this country, but they are not often displayed as a collective body.

The scheme focuses on our successes and barnessing them, showing what we can do and achieve, changing how we are perceived abroad."

The diversity of selected designs will be one of the scheme's greatest merits, according to Paul ThompAmanda Loose on

the showcase that will prove the UK is in the forefront of a creative revolution

son, director of London's Design Museum and a member of the Millennium Products panel. "It is important that as an industrial nation we do look forwards," he says, "and the scheme gives us this opportunity. We can concentrate on what Britain is good at; we have strong creative minds, and this excellence is what we have to sell to

the rest of the world. This creativity extends beyond design and architecture, to innovations and scientific achievements. The awards are not just confined to patting arty excellence on the back, but rewarding design in its broadest sense."

So what makes a Millennium Product? Ms Levi says: "We are looking for products which are innovatively conceived or challenge the conventions of how they are used or produced. It is very hard to be more prescriptive as we will be looking at such a wide range of entrants." Successful entries will be heavily

promoted, not just in the media, but on the Internet and CD-Roms, says Ms Levi, taking the story of the thinking behind them to as many people as possible, at home and

We want to use the scheme to encourage people, to teach and provide examples to other businesses, so they can apply the new skills

to their own methodology," she says. "We will take them into schools so students can get excited about them at primary and secondary levels, developing the right interests and attitude in the next

generation of designers." The entries, which must be a product or service created in Britain and launched between January 1995 and December 31, 1997, will be judged by a panel of 50 style gurus, including household names such as Janet Street-Porter, Sir Terence

Conran and Germaine Greer. The Design Council will invite submissions and announce Millennium Products every six months until 2000. Many thousands of entries are expected for the first round, where the deadline for submissions is January 16, 1948. Those selected will be announced

The Design Council has selected a number of products as pointers for prospective entrants. They come from the worlds of IT, medicine. fashion and even supermarkets. A biodegradable wound dressing, in tune with human tissue, is listed, as is the Psion Series 5, a hand-held computer which can surf the Internet, send and receive messages and even track share prices. Shop & Go, Safeway's personal scanning system which allows shoppers to avoid checkout queues, is also included.

The scheme will "gee" us up, says Mr Thompson: "It will make us all aware of what is going on. It will stop people in industry, the service sector and laboratories, and make them think about what they are doing. And many will realise that they are developing world-class products."

Brochure and submission form, 0181-

Easy-to-recycle items benefit companies and consumers

esigning products with the environment in mind can pay divi-. dends, particularly with the advent of "producer responsibility" legislation. Amanda. Loose writes.

Many companies already have to collect and recycle their products' packaging ma-terials, but legislation in the pipeline could mean that they will have to "take back" products at the end of their lives.

Easy-to-recycle products with re-usable components would have a competitive edge, as would environmentalstandard benchmarks, because coasumers are increasingly aware of such issues. Looking, at environmental concerns in the buris. stages of design is vital, says the Centre for Sustainab Design, and can save your CODIDANY IDOREY

A survey by the centre last year showed that 66 per cent of companies in the electronics sector believe producer responsibility will have a significant impact on their businesses. Many expect it to change the way they design and manufacture products and 80 ner cent were looking at designing for the environ-ment in relation to new produci development.

Such legislation will mean products must be designed with durability, disassembly, recycling and re-use in mind; says Mark Shayler, design councillor at Business Link Bradford. Mr Shayler, who is running a seminar on Design for the Environment in Bradford on October 28, says: Companies often see environmental issues as a design constraint, stopping them from using hard woods, for example. But then design for the environment also gives opportunities for competitive

A report by the Design

Drive to promote second-life surgery



Mark Shayler, left, and Tony Bhogal with a car parts cleaning machine

Council last year confirms this. It found that just over 80 per cent of a product's costs are set during its design proportion of the impact it will have on the environment are also set at this low-cost stage. Mr Shayler agrees: "It is

hard work convincing the small and medium-size enterprises I work with that looking at environmental issues at an early stage can have economic benefits. But products which require fewer raw materials and less energy to develop give massive cost and environmental benefits. If companies develop a new component which down when it is recycled, there will be future savings." Emma Prentis, senior man-

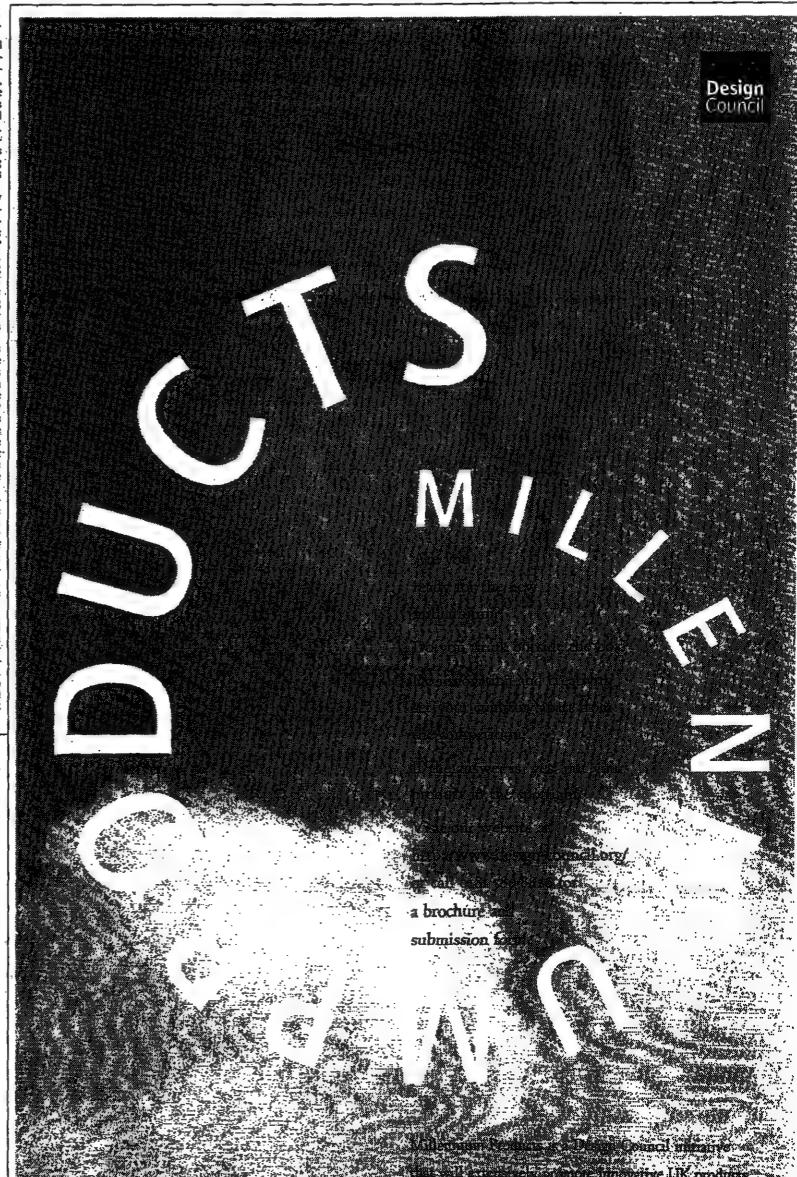
ager of the Environment and Sustainability unit of Canadian telecommunications equipment manufacturer Nortel, says the company has gone back to the design process with many of its products, and removed hazardous materials. Nortel's research unit in Harlow, Essex, for example, has come up with a soldering technique which removes 99.93 per cent of lead.

"Environmentally friendly products have competitive advantages particularly in northern Europe, as well as countries in Latin America. she says. "The Eco Label, awarded to products meeting certain environmental criteria, managed by the European Union, is a popular selling point, particularly in Gerny, and is starting influence over here."

Developing components which can be re-used and are more durable, or products which are more modular in design so that parts can be easily replaced, is increasingly common. Rank Xerox offers customers a choice of three photocopiers, including one made from re-used parts. Fiat already labels its components with advice on how to recycle

Much of the take-back legislation will affect the electronics and the automotive industries first, says Mr Shayler. Tony Bhogal, managing director of Autoelectro in Bradford, is already looking at ways to reuse car components, usung what he can and selling on the

wastage for recycling.
His job would be much easier if designers considered a more modular approach in the early stages of design: "Car designers should look at making parts easier to overhaul. Many components fail due to wear and many, if designed properly, could be made to last longer," he says.



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The Sunday Times: Buy. Racal, BTR, Vimto. Sell: Etam. The Sunday Telegraph: Buy: Creston Land & Estates, Alexon, GGT; Hambros. Sell: Brown & Jackson, Scottish Hydro Electric. Independent On Sunday: Buy: Bodycote International.

SB drugs cocktail comes up trumps

SMITHKLINE BEECHAM: to recognise the year 2000 Another sturdy performance

from its established drugs portfolio will have provided a useful increase to sales when the group reports third-quarter figures tomorrow. Pre-tax profits are expected to come inat about £395 million, up 6 per cent on the £374 million last time. Earnings are likely to be up 7 per cent, at almost 5p. Paxil/Seroxat should have

seen constant currency sales grow by 30 per cent with Augmentin up 11 per cent and vaccines 15 per cent. The performance of the new drugs such as Famvin, Kynil, Hycamtin and Coreg will also come under close scrutiny, with sales expected to total £122 million. Evidence from the main US drug producers would indicate that Smith-Kline can beat most of the sales forecasts pencilled in.

Third-quarter operating margins are expected to have grown 3 per cent, to 26 per cent. About 2 per cent of this can be accounted for by the change of business mix at DPS, with the remainder down to gross margin expansion. The quarter payout is likely to grow from 1.8p to almost 2p with 20.2 forthe full year.

REUTERS: A timebomb is ticking away under Peter Job, chief executive, and the cost of defusing it could prove expen-sive. The millennium time bomb is likely to see heity write-offs over the next couple of years and the group, along with every other company using computers, is likely to find it costly to solve the problem of computers failing

because it ends in two zeros.

Provisions relating to these costs may start to become apparent when third-quarter results are unveiled on Thursday. Attention will focus on whether the group has been able to maintain the underlying 8 per cent revenue growth achieved in the first two quarters. But with sterling having traded, during the third quarter, 20 per cent above the comparable period last year, it seems a dent will have been made in revenues. NatWest Markets, the broker, is forecasting a decline in total

E2.13 billion. There was surprise at the 7 per cent growth achieved by information products in the second quarter. This was achieved despite the move to restructure prices to upgrade clients to the Series 3000. Order and installation levels were 24,300 and 10,600 respectively.

Brokers will be anxious to

revenues, from £2.17 billion to

see if the Reuters 3000 product line has continued to make progress. But for the group to reach its year-end target of 30,000, installations will need to have reached 20,000 in the third quarter.

ICI: Third-quarter results on Thursday, will provide a clearer insight into the Impact of Speciality Chemicals that the group bought from Unilever earlier this year. These figures will contain 84 days of the new

Overall, pre-tax profits are likely to have fallen sharply from £313 million to £115



Peter Joh, Reuters chairman, must grapple with the year 2000 computer software bug from strong demand, especial-

ly in National Starch and the

flavours and fragrances busi-nesses, while in Unichema the

decline in glycerine prices will

have been offset by strong

million, while earnings per share should be down 2p to 8.5p. This profits setback will not come as a surprise after its warning earlier this year. Instead, brokers will be focusing their attention on the future now that a key element of that strategy is in place.

WOLSELEY: This month's The rest of the speciality acquisition by Meyer Internadivision should have benefited tional of Harcros may have

oleochemical prices.

ruffled a few feathers at Wolseley, but it is unlikely to affect its dominant position in the building supplies market. Full-year figures tomorrow should show pre-tax profits up

million on sales 8 per cent higher at £4.4 billion. The group has already made it clear that the recovery

from £242.9 million to £262

ECONOMIC OUTLOOK

THE tenth anniversary of Black Monday and the launch of order-driven trading are expected to cause some market jitters this week, but it is a raft of vital economic statistics that could provide the market with a headache.

The jury is hung on whether the Bank of England will move on interest rates next month, although stronger than expected GDP and retail sales data will tip the odds towards a

quarter-point rise. Third-quarter GDP data on Friday is expected to show strong growth con-tinuing. MMS Interna-tional, the economics consultancy, forecasts that quarterly GDP will rise 0.9 per cent, taking the annual growth rate from 3.5 per

cent to 3.8 per cent.

The retail sales data for September, due on Wednesday, could prove to be much softer than in recent months. MMS predicts monthly sales growth will fall 0.1 per cent, taking the

The "Toon Army" comes marching into the Square annual rate to 5.7 per cent. Economists have been Mile today with its first set of consistently surprised by the relatively stable trade full-year figures. The end re-sult should be impressive. Pretax profits are expected to deficit despite the surge in come in at £40.5 million, an the pound. Friday's data is increase of 40 per cent, with expected to show the August whole world trade deficit increasing from improvements reported in all £450 to £750 million, while the non-EU trade gap for have soared from £3.5 million September will rise from sponsorship and branded £359 to £500 million. M4. products are likely to have the measure of broad grown by almost a third, to 16.3 million and £9 million money supply, is predicted to remain strong at 11.9 per cent on Thursday.

respectively. A first-time payout of l.6p is expected. ALASDAIR MURRAY MICHAEL CLARK

Thailand's finance minister to quit

By Alasdair Murray, economics correspondent

Thailand is expected to hit a new low today after Thanong Bidaya, the Finance Minister, said yesterday that he would step down from the Govern-

ment in the next few days.

Mr Thanong is credited as the architect of austerity measures pushed through by the Thai Government as part of the \$17 billion (£10.5 billion) His decision to step down

Friday. But Mr Thanong de nied there was a direct connection with the failure of the oil tax, claiming instead that he had finished laying down the low of 37.30 to the dollar.

INVESTOR confidence in framework for tackling Thai economic problems.
International investors fear

that the Thai government will not find a stitable candidate to fill the Finance Minister's post. The country's third Finance Minister in ten months will have to continue with the austerity measures as well as decide what to do with the 58 debt-ridden financial com-panies suspended by authori-

turn on an oil tax increase on and Thai stock market will today. The baht has lost 40 per cent of its value since July,

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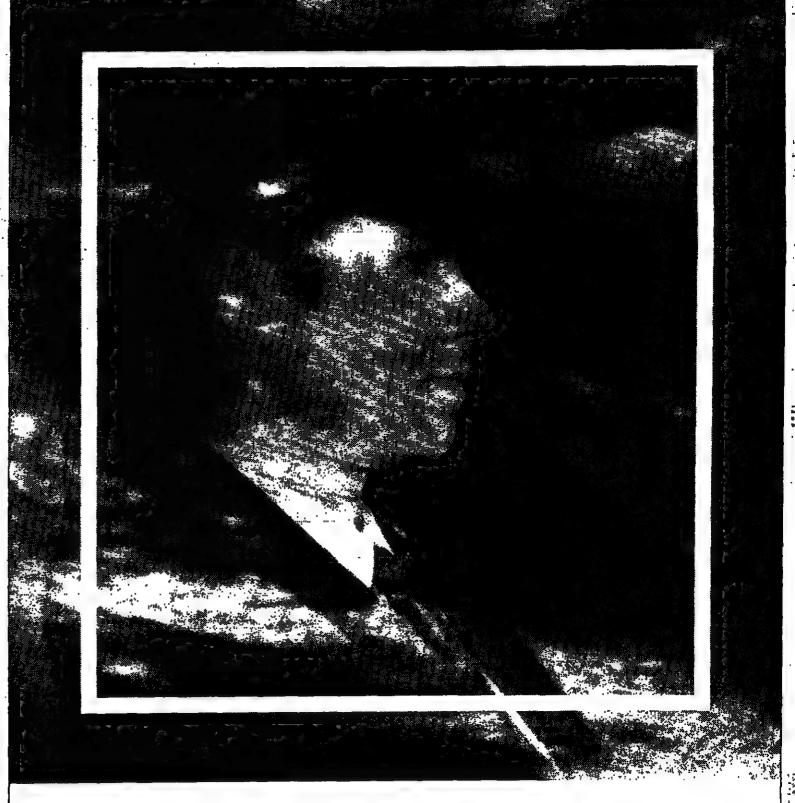
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THE FACTS

(1996): £8.4 Pre-tex profit: £640 million Employees: 58,000 Alliances: Qantas

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THE BOARD

BA follows the American model of corporate management in having a board of predominantly non-executives, fronted by two full-time directors, Bob Ayling, who has been chief executive since January 1996, and Derek Stevens, who is the chief financial

Colin Marshali, one of the best-connected men in British business, with roles ranging from president of the Confederation of British Industry to chairman of

Inchcape.
He was chief executive of He was chief executive of BA from 1983 to 1995, acting as second-in-command to Lord King of Wartnaby, now aged 80, who stepped down as chairman in 1993 after the "dirty tricks" row with Richard Branson's Virgin, but remains the honorary president.

The deputy chairman and

The deputy chairman and head of the remuneration committee is Sir Michael Angue, the former head of Unilever and a Confedera-tion of British Industry big-

clude Lord Remark of Clifton, the former British ambassador to America and South Airlea, Raymond Seltz, the former American embassador to the United Kingdom, Baroneas O'Cathain previously managing director of the Barbican Centre in London, where BA holds its annual where SA holds its annual meeting, Ashok Ganguly, a former director of Unitever, and Michael Davies, the chairman of Pentins Foods. Aviation expertise is provided by Captain Colin Barnes, the former SA chief pilot. Perhaps the ultimate business club.

ion about British Airways. To investors who bought the shares at 125p in February 1987, when BA came to the market, it is summed up in a satisfying, if somewhat bumpy, ride. To passengers, it means service, getting away on time and whether your baggage turns up. To BA employees, it is all about

Few companies are so exposed to the public gaze at every level, and this goes a long way to explaining the way BA is. Since privatisation, the company has gone through certain distinct phases - the Gulf War slump, which cost the airline industry \$15 billion in three years: "dirty tricks": cutting cost and making alliances. The current era, ushered in with Bob Ayling's appointment as chief executive, is proving the most turbulent of all. The original BA shareholders are toasting returns of close to 500 per cent, but the shares have underperformed recently, and their prospects depend heavily on several converging threads, chief among them the longrunning alliance talks with

(OFT) was swift to pass judg-ment, saying it was minded to recommend the deal provided that BA and American gave up 168 take-off and landing slots at Heathrow, but others have proved less forthcoming. Karel van Miert, the voluble European Competition Commissioner, has talked about stripping BA-American of 350 slots, although how much in-fluence he will ultimately bring to bear remains unclear. Theoretically, the UK should have the final say, but Mr van Miert would suggest otherwise.

More important is the outcome of "open skies" talks between London and Washington. Heathrow is Europe's dominant airport, handling about 22 per cent of all US-Europe traffic. Frankfurt speaks for about 14 per cent; Gatwick has 11 per cent; Amsterdam has 9 per cent; and Paris (Charles de Gaulle) has 9 per cent.

City analysts fear that BA's revenues will be hit hard if the

hanging on to your job.

American Airlines. BA unveiled its alliance with American in June 1996 and hoped to have the whole thing airborne by Easter. It had not counted on Richard Branson. chairman of Virgin Atlantic, who was quick to scramble his fleet in an attempt to shoot down the whole thing. The Office of Fair Trading

lines, are drawing an increasing number of international

When you're owned by your customers, you look at things in a different way









Plane tale: Sir Colin Marshall, now seen as a hands-off chairman, above, was second-in-command to Lord King of Wartnaby, below. Bob Ayling, chief executive, centre top, enjoyed happy times with staff but his standing with City investors was hit by the strike and a change of livery has been controversial

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airline loses prime slots to competitive US carriers, Some think that it would be better for the BA management to form a marketing agreement with American within the existing regulatory framework, avoiding the damaging downside of "open skies". Either way, BA has to do something to expand its reach. Rival groupings such as the Star Alliance, which includes Lufthansa and United Air-

travellers into their web. So much time has now elapsed that any eventual deal will come as an anti-climax. Predictions on when it might happen vary from Christmas to early 1998, pushing the actual launch back to late next

year.
The other big issue facing BA is internal, but very public nonetheless. Soon after becoming chief executive, Ayling

launched his business efficierisked losing out to more cost-ency programme, aimed at efficient carriers. true that BA enjoyed a much more stable relationship with ency programme, aimed at licking BA into shape for the millennium. With its yields shrinking, he saw the need for reforms aimed at

slicing El billion in annual costs out of the business. Without these savings, BA

Lord King of Wartnaby, chairman of BA during the

Eighties, did much to slim the business ahead of privatisation, and undoubtedly the next phase of cuts was always going to be harder. It is also

THE RESERVE AND THE

"BA faces a number of eignificent challenges, both internal, where rebuilding staff morale to what it was is absolutely fundamental and crucial, and we have great concerns that if BA-American proceeds, and Heathrow is opened up, the financial impact could be very severe."—

opened up, the financial impact could be very severe."—
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"There is absolutely no question in my mine that global
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airlines in the next ten years. The strength of the pound is
still a worry in the City and does have the capability to play
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"Every single eirline in Europe is cutting its costs. BA
needs to maintain this process in order to maintain a
competitive edge. Clearly they've got to get the staff back
on side and the passengers back in the seroplanes."—
Stephen Ciapham, Robert Herning Securities

its unions in the King days. Ayling has flown into storms The summer of 1996 saw the BA pilots threatening to ground the fleet and stage a mass protest. Unsurprisingly, a compromise was found and

action was averted.

This year was different. The process expanded to include back-office" aspects such as ground fleet services and catering, along with the thorniest side of all, the cabin crew. If ever there was going to be a flashpoint it was here, and doom-mongers were not disappointed. Plans to increase basic pensionable pay in re-turn for more flexible working led to a spectacular showdown

with the unions. Only about 330 stewards and stewardesses went on strike, but 2,000 more "went sick" in sympathy, disrupting flights for weeks. BA has put the cost of the strike action at £125 million, although the ongoing toll in passengers who dejected to rival airlines. and decided not to return, has yet to be seen. The picture may become clearer when BA publishes its interim results on November 5. But the fact is that BA won the battle. Newly diplomatic, Ayling has avoid ed public gloating over the deal reached with the unions.

but it gave him what he wanted, the freedom to organise BA the way he believes is vital for its long-term survival. Now, BA is well on its way to achieving its targets, but at some cost to image and morale. The decision to spend £60 million on a corporate rebranding. including dubious new livery on its aircraft, appears ill-timed. Dropping the Union Flag not only upset Baroness Thatcher but played right into the hands of Branson, who anatched the

is at a low, and passengers are feeling the pinch.
Some of the most enduring

problems have involved lost and delayed baggage. So bad was the situation at Heathrow was the situation at regulation this summer that BA was forced to impose a temporary cap on bookings at peak times. Equipment breakdowns have contributed, but demoralised handlers - delaying cases, or even refusing to load aircraft have played a big role.

Aying faces a struggle bringing them back on-side.

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Ayling's handling of the staff dispute dented his standing with City investors, led by Mercury Asset Management, with a 17 per cent stake in BA. and Schroders, with about 7 per cent. The threat, in the thick of the cabin crew dispute, to sue or sack staff who went on strike, does not say much for BA's attitude to its employees, although there are signs that a genuine effort is now underway to get things back on an even footing. Relations with pilots have improved after last year's troubles, and the hope is that this glasnost

will spread eisewhere. This year BA introduced a new statement of mission, values and goals to complement the code of business conduct produced in the wake of the "dirty tricks"

controversy.

Financially, much hangs on the outcome of the alliance talks, although the strength of the pound is still a worry to City observers. The shares, which climbed from 585p in February to 760p in May, have since underperformed, smudging an otherwise solid record over the ten years since privatisation. BA has one of the strongest brands around, and is rightly lauded for the quality of its service. Investors and passengers will hope it stays that way.

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Windfalls fail to produce boom

WINDFALL spending has falled to produce the widely predicted consumer boom and is fading away fast, a report

Vertict, the retail consultancy, says that retail sales growth this year in real terms will be 5 per cent, slowing to 3 per cent next year, and dip-ping further in 1999.

The report, Verdict on Re-tailing 2001, says: "In reality, 3 per cent volume growth is

the underlying level and the extra two percentage points this year is due to windfall spending. This remarkably modest windfall surge shows that consumers are behaving themselves and Verdict sees no reason why interest rates should be raised again."

It says that for much of the retail sector "windfalls have brought no relief and shopkeep-ers have needed to sharpen their retail skills and improve their

value-for-money offer.". It be-lieves that the most successful retailers will be those with a strong own-brand or exclusive label offer, it thinks that Marks & Spencer is "on the brink of explosive market share growth. The purchase of 19 stores from Littlewoods and the move into clothing mail order could boost its retail sales by £2 billion,

Verdict says: It also sees the supermarket

chains increasing their dominance by building up non-food sales and putting more pres-sure on booksellers, music and video retailers and cloth-

ing and footwear specialists. Department stores are also seen growing ahead of the rest of the sector and electrical retailers, such as Dixons and Cornet, will benefit from this year's windfall spending and strong underlying demand for new leisure products.



KEWS SPONS WHITESOM FUN KNOWLEDGS MONEY SHOPPING THE INSTRUCT "How fat a profit have I made on my shares this morning?"

(c) in Hinduism and Buddhism, an utterance of assent used in prayer and meditation. The Sanskrit monosyllable. The note greets me. 'Hare Krishma. Please accept my Om prayers for your eternal well being. I would like to see you for a few minutes'."

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(a) An early form of contract bridge. So called because a player aimed to bid to his ceiling of tricks. The game originated in France. "Mr Vanderbilt joined in a rubber of the continental

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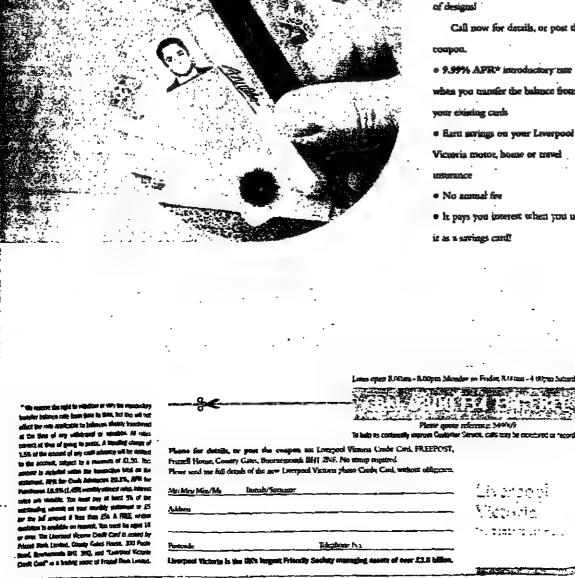
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It's all very well to say shore and shore alike; but in all honesty wouldn't you prefer to enjoy at leisure your own copy of the Times Educational Supplement? The FE Focus section, in particular, really does deserve much more than a rushed flick through in the staffroom. So for opinions worth taking the time to listen to, buy your own copy, take it home and keep it to yourself:

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Wall Street women out-perform male fund managers

WALL STREET is known as one of the last bastions of male chauvinism in America. But the locker-room atmosphere has now been shattered by a survey that suggests women are better investors than men.

Over the past three years, female-run funds have outperformed those run by males in almost every market sector. The authors of the Money magazine survey put this down to women's better shop-

Morningstar, a ratings agency, studied 2,562 US mutual funds and showed that

company, is to make a new attack on Camelot, the Nat-

ional Lottery operator, by launching a lottery scratchcard

The pools company's "Win-

ning Streak" card promises

jackpots of £1,000 and odds of

3.85 to one of a cash prize.

billed as offering the best odds
of a cash prize of any scratch-

card (Jason Nisse writes).

woman fund managers always outperformed their male colleagues except for funds specialising in fast-growth equities. The authors said: "The performance gap was espe-cially wide between male and female managers of small company funds." The number

has risen 500 per cent to 464 over the past ten years. But there are still six times more men than women managing Wall Street funds. Jessica Bibliowicz, president of John A. Levin, an investment

company, said: "It's a top-of-

Littlewoods is launching it today with advertising featur-

ing a naked man.
The card follows the launch

of Littlewoods Lotto in August.

which came after the pools company's purchase of UK Charity Lotteries last year.

Jeremy Collis, who runs the

operation, has vowed to inject

humour and interest into the

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Littlewoods gamble

of US woman fund managers

the class thing. It was proba-bly tougher for these women to get their jobs, so they had to be better to get there." The survey authors give two reasons for women's superior

performance. First, female fund managers tend to be younger than male colleagues. The women's average age is 42 compared to 46 for men. Younger managers apparently feel more pressure to perform. And a study by MIT and the University of Chicago, younger portfolio managers outperform older ones by an average of 0.86 per cent for each year of age difference". Second, women are the bet-

ter shoppers. Loretta Morris. a lead manager at Nicholas Applegate, said: They make careful decisions, gathering all the information they can."
Statistics from the National
Association of Investors Corporations show women-only investor clubs earning aver-

age annual returns 50 per cent higher than men-only clubs. On international stocks, women earned annual returns of 7.5 per cent while men made



Marc Küffer, left, who is leading a buyout of Roventa-Henex, the Swiss watchmaker, with Matthew Turner, of PPM

Pru makes Swiss watch buyout tick

high-quality watches has been bought by its management in a £50 million deal backed by the venture capital arm of the Prudential (Jason Nissé writes). Roventa-Henex, which sells in the UK

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under the brand name Avia, was previously owned by a Swiss consortium of

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Tavannes, Switzerland, a quality control centre in Hong Kong and a distribution arm in Surrey and boasts an annual turnover of SFr120 million (£51 million).

The buyout is being led by Marc Küffer, Roventa's managing director, and the finance is being co-ordinated by

PPM Ventures, a subsidiary of Prudential, with backing from HSBC Investment Bank and Swiss Bank Corporation. Matthew Turner, a director of PPM Ventures, said yesterday: "Roventa-Henex is a strongly managed business with an excellent track record and a

Richard Ellis backs **US** offer

BY ALASDAIR MURRAY

RICHARD ELLIS Group, the UK's leading commercial estate agency, yesterday con-firmed that it is on the verge of accepting a takeover offer from Insignia Financial, the US group, which is expected to value it at £80 million.

The Richard Ellis board has signed a letter of intent, but needs to win the support of other shareholders before the deal is closed. Senior managers of Richard Ellis, which converted from a partnership to a company earlier this year, are expected to become millionaires after the takeover.

Insignia is America's largest

quoted estate agency, with nal sales of about \$500 milhold in the European market. .The deal will include the acquisition of Donaldsons. a smaller estate agenacy that

certainly in Europe and probably in the world." The supermarket group began merger talks with Rich-

from Safeway already allows customers to

BY RAYMOND SNODDY, MEDIA EDITOR

Tailored offers

SAFEWAY, the supermarket group, has begun experiments aimed at offering individual customers their own specially tailored promotional offers when they turn up for their week's shopping.

If successful, the special

offers could come partly out of the company's marketing bud-get and lead, in time, to a significant reduction in Safeway's television budget.

Safeway, supported by IBM, has been exploring ways of getting commercially useful knowledge from its six million ABC loyalty cardholders. Roger Partington, Safeway's customer development director, said: "We are told we are probably the most advanced,

which last month was talking about a possible merger with Asda, until the talks leaked,

scan in their purchases in 140 stores. The process has recently been taken a step further with the introduction of special kiosks near the entrance of stores. When a loyalty card is scanned in, the system recognises the customers' normal pattern of purchases and they are alerted to any relevant special offers.

Mr Partington said: "What we are now moving to is not offering the same promotions to everyone." A heavy buyer of champagne or petfood will be offered a special promotion just for them. The concept is already on trial in a number of being kept secret.

Safeway has also introduced a personalised system rewards for customers based on increasing the amount of money they spend with the group.

Reuters to reveal computer timebomb exposure

BY FRASER NELSON

REUTERS, the business information giant, will this week reveal its exposure to bug that threatens to affect millions of machines in the year 2000.

The company is understood to be preparing a comprehensive audit de-tailing what it must spend in order to clear out faulty software. The information is expected to accompany its third-quarter trading figures on Thursday.

The company is expected to send out information to all its clients about measures that can be taken to

avoid computer failure.

Reuters has admitted that its Series 3000, the newest and most advanced of its information products designed as its latest weapon against Bloomberg, a rival, could be badly affected by the bug. Peter Job, chief executive, has told shareholders that the company views the matter as "a very serious issue with wide ramifications".

Many of its rivals, how-ever, have said they are in the clear. Dan Wagner, who is negotiating a £260 million merger between his MAID company and Knight-Ridder Informa-tion, said neither company would have to deploy any extra capital or staff to address the problem. He has dismissed the

bug as "a lot of hype which will make a lot of money for computer consultants". Reuters is badly placed

because it supplies clients with a computer and modem, magnifying its exposure to hardware problems. MAID, by contrast, allows its system to be accessed through any computer with a modem and restricts its hardware costs to the master database.

Analysts said the company's refusal to specify its exposure was beginning to create nervousness. One said: "The nervous sounds coming from Reuters management has done nothing to inspire confidence in how they will handle it. If contranles like Safeway can admit it's going to cost them £40 million, we can only guess at what Reuters is going to be in for."

Fund manager revamps range to win back private investors

M&G shakes up unit trusts

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M&G, the fund manager, will tomorrow unveil a reorganisation of its unit trust range intended to revive its ailing fortunes.

Once the giant of the unit trust and Pep industry, the £16 billion fund manager has been humbled by the poor performance of nearly all its unit trusts in the 1990s, which has

The last straw came in the

first quarter of this year, when M&G's share of the allimportant Pep market fell from 3 per cent to 2 per cent. In spite of recruiting the self-styled inventor of Peps, Lord Lawson of Blaby, the former Chancellor, for its Pep television commercials, M&G raised only £20 million for the launch of its High Income investment trust. Vivian Bazalgette, the chief



Lord Lawson in an M&G television commercial for Peps

ar, is expected to announce that he is broadening M&G's famed value approach to Value investing, which tends to concentrate on high-yielding · manufacturing stocks, has not fared well in the blue chip boom of the 1990s. Mr Bazalgette has told his fund managers to consider other criteria, such as turnover and pricing power, when choosing shares. This will in-crease the amount of growth stocks in its funds, making less vulnerable to changes in the economic cycle.

Mr Bazalgette is also tidy-ing up M&G products. The company has built up a confusing array of 14 UK unit trusts aimed at private investors. Up to four of the more obscure funds are expected to be merged in a rationalisation that will distinguish more clearly capital growth funds and income funds, M&G will also start to charge fees to capital on its income funds. This will enable it to maintain vields on the funds while expanding the range of stocks

they can choose: Financial advisers, on whom M&G relies for business. seemed relieved by the changes. One said: "They are finally doing what other fund manager

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investment officer hired last

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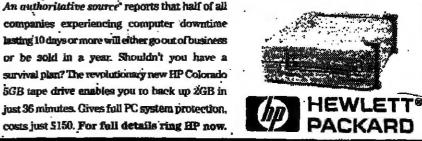
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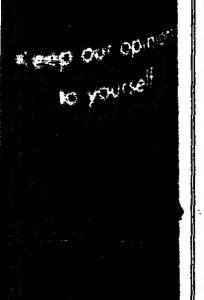
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on't you believe in the new paradigm?
I wish I had a euro for every time I have been asked that question, particularly over the past week. With investors keenly aware of what happened to share prices ten years ago, it has become closely bound up with concern about the current level of the equity market. My answer, I'm afraid, is that it all depends on what

As I've discovered recently, such prevarication can be deeply shocking. Apparently, you either subscribe to a whole rag-bag of ideas which are lumped together as the new paradigm school, or you reject the lot. Well, I'm afraid I'm one of the awkward squad. I subscribe to some. but not to others.

There are four propositions that make up the creed of the new paradigmers: Inflation is likely to be low for the foreseeable future; low inflation can be accompanied by low rates of unemployment; the sustainable rate of economic growth is now higher; business cycles will now be much attenuated, if indeed they occur at all.

Some people seem to believe that these propositions are inextricably linked in a sort of logical progression. Stock market bulls go further and see them as justifying the current level of share prices, or even supporting the notion that the market can go on rising at double-

Time to determine if miracles can happen

four propositions, they are separable. I have listed them in ascending order of strength or improbability.

Some would demur right at the very beginning. As a founder member of the Inflation is Dead" school. though. I'm hardly one of them. You could complain of bias, but the number of doubters does seem to have failen sharply over the past Low inflation is one thing.

but being able to combine it with low unemployment is a much tougher proposition. It implies that something more is involved than governments and central banks simply maintaining tough policies. In economists' jargon, something has to have happened to reduce the so-called natural rate of unemployment. This, too, I believe. The evidence is strongest in the US, but it is strengthening in the UK, as unemployment continues to fall while inflation remains low.

Higher sustainable rates of economic growth are connected with this idea, but the connections are not straightforward. Moreover, it is easy to confuse the transition phase with what will be sustainable once the transi-



ROGER BOOTLE

economy is expanding to take up slack, it will be growing faster than it will be able to once the slack has been

It is a most point whether the low inflation, low unemployment combination will itself directly raise the sustainable growth rate. But it is plausible that it will, by reducing nominal and real rates of interest and encouraging investment. Moreover. the technological and organisational changes which are themselves contributing to the new, low inflation environment will

directly raise the growth rate. But according to the superbulls, not only is inflation down and out, but the business cycle is dead as well. This is where I part company. one case of concepticide as quite sufficient for the time

It is easy to see why the

death of the business cycle might be thought to follow. from the death of inflation. If economies are indeed able to run with lower levels of unemployment without sparking inflation, then the manifestation will be the expansionary phase of the cycle carrying on for longer. Expectations that it will soon hit the buffers by running into shortages of capacity or labour, causing higher prices and wages and bringing down the wrath of the central bank, will be persistently proved wrong. This is precisely the US experience over the past few years.

At some stage, though, these limits will appear again, albeit at a different level of unemployment. But why should this change of level imply that the natural tendency of economies to fluctuate has somehow been eradicated? And why should it imply that the hitherto endless supply of external shocks has suddenly run dry? In the nineteenth century, there was no persistent inflation in either Britain or the US, but business cycle fluctu-

ways, it is belief in the death of the business cycle that is the crucial underpinning for the leap from propositions about the new economic paradigm to ultra-bullish views about stockmarket values.

If you are a believer, then it is perfectly acceptable to build in expectations of boom level profits for the foreseeable future, because the economy is in a state of permanent

Moreover, without serious economic downturns, there is no risk of overall price deflation, with all that would imply for profitability and balance sheet strength. The policy-makers will have created a regime of not only low. but also stable inflation, something quite unfamiliar in the nineteenth century. By contrast, if the business cycle is alive and well, then a serious downturn would bring sharply lower inflation. And, as they have discovered in Japan, zero is not a magic number.

As both economic and stock market performance have contimied to defy the doomsters. more and more outlandish versions of the new paradigm view have come to be believed - and built into share prices. Views about the economy which were recently thought radical have passed from con-troversy into conventional wisdom. This has gone so far that the realm of the radical is now restricted to the thoroughly incredible. Transformations can believe in - miracles

TELEVISION CHOICE

Of material importance *

Making Maste BBC2, 7.30pm

This intriguing series by Neil MacGregor, Director of the National Gallery, will compel us to look at even the most familiar paintings with a fresh eye. His subject is one that standard works on art history tend to ignore how artists have been influenced by the materials at their disposal. If influenced by the materials at their disposal. If Rembrandt's water shimmers while Renot's dazzles, that is because they used different types of paint. And if Veronese's painting of St Helena has a most un-Mediterranean sky of muddy grey, that is because the cheap pigment has faded from its original blue. Computer simulation shows us how the picture originally looked and technology also provides new insights into Renot's Les Paraplules. Thanks to X-rays and the ability to magnify tiny paint samples 150 times, MacGregor establishes that one of the female figures was repainted five years after the pointing was started.

Picture This: Silvering Up BBC2. 9.30pm

Once again the series for emerging film-makers has a subject that cannot fall. If you have ever thought what it takes to paint electricity pylons, Kirkham Jackson's film, cleverly crafted and kirkham Jackson's him, cleverly crained and delivered without commentary, supplies the answer. Men with no fear of heights don wellies, boiler suits, hoods and rubber gloves and shin up the towers without a second thought. Even to watch from the safety of the living room is enough to induce vertigo, but one of the men reckons it is safer than being on a ladder. The physical toll, however, can be substantial. Dave reckons there is not a rejector in the country wiffi a decent pair of not a painter in the country with a desent pair of kneecaps. He also has arthritis in both wrists and a bad back. But the work, though seasonal and paid by the pylon, not the hour, is addictive.

Omnibus: The Fame and Shame of Salvador BBC1, 10.40pm

In Salvador Duli the outrageous paintings and flamboyant personal life were all of a piece, and the challenge for Ian Gibson in this two-part documentary is to sort the artist from the buffoon. Gibson is not short of source material, much of it

Salvador Dali (BBCl, 10.40pm)

oral. He has located an impressive number of former associates willing to search their memories. Not for nothing was Dali an admirer of Freud, whom he met in London in the 1930s. The artist's exhibitionism, it is suggested, hid shyness while shame and sexual desire were linked from bowhord. Tonight Gibson takes the story to 1940. sname and sexual desire were united from boyhood. Tonight Gibson takes the story to 1940, when Dali decamped to the United States. The film is good on Dali's Catalan roots and his place in the Surrealist movement, but shrinks from a verdict on his art. Part two is being shown tomorrow.

The Art of the Reporter BBC2, 11.15pm

Round Britain Quit.

Radio 4, 12.25pm

Pergal Keane uses the Huw Wheldon Memorial Lecture to mount a spirited and sometimes emotional defence of the integrity of selectified journalism. Keane's own credentials, including from the horror of Rwanda, are impeccable. But he pays proper tribute to forebears, going back to Richard Dimbleby and James Cameron, as well as to contemporaries including Michael Buerk. James Mates and Martin Bell. Keane argues that it is the duty of the reporter to tell the truth in an accessible, caring and intelligent way and never mind whom it offends. He lears this is getting more difficult in face of growing technology (he is specially concerned about the Internet) and pressures from the market. But he is confident the BBC will never engage in dumbing-down.

Peter Waymark

As one of those who campaigned to have this brought back after its untimely withdrawal following the 1995 series, I feel compelled to highlight the grand final between the Midlands and Scotland. It will, I am assured, be back, having

and Scotland. It will, I am assured, be back, having been among the first changes that James Boyle put in train when he became Controller of Radiu 4. Boyle was not best pleased by some of the questions in the early part of the new series, which were regarded as having too much of a musical emphasis, but that has since been corrected and RBQ remains the most civilised, not to say for infuriating, quiz on the radio. Some listeners think that the questions are no easy, though "easy" is a

that the questions are too easy, though "easy" is a relative term in this content. Peter Barnard

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The title demonstrates that Lord Deedes has a sense of humour, for it borrows from the longsense of numour, for it corrows from the long-running Private Eye spoof which purported to be a weekly letter from Deedes, then Editor of the Daily Telegraph, to Sir Denis Thatcher, consort to the blessed Margaret. But Deedes is an amusing writer in any event and the five extracts this week, read by the author, cover more than 60 years, from Deedes's time as a reporter on the Morning Post to his present expressioning for a bean on landmines. his present campaigning for a ban on landmines, including two spells in government, as a junior Housing Minister under Churchill and Information minister under Macmillan. This Radio 4 version includes an account of hisvisit to Bosnia in August with Diana, Princess of Wales.

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6.30am Kavin Greening and Zoë Ball 9.00 Simon Mayo 12.00 Jo Whitey, Includes 12.30pm Newsbest 2.00 Merk Radditis 4.00 Dave Pearce 6.15 Newsbest 6.30 Stave Lamaco Evening Session, Includes sessions by Super Fury Animals and Beta Band 8.30 Live Music Update with Briggy Smalls 8.40

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Grosso in D, Op 6 No S); Milhaud (Scaramouche);
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Mozart (Rondo alla Turca); Tchailloveky
(Symptony No 6, Pathetique); Rachmeninov (Two.
Songs Polka)

10 Composer of the West: Willem Walton Open News; Lunchlime Concert. Live from St. John's, Smith Square, London. Livey Shelton, sopranoreciter, Nash Ensemble under Martyn Brabbins. Berg (Four Pieces, Op 5, for Clarine); and Piano); Dallapiccola (Dur Litiche rif Anaccente).

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2.00 The BSC Orchestras, BBC National Orchestra

Wates, Strauss (Don Jueri), under Tactaeld Otak

Beethoven (Violin Concerto in D), with Thomas

Zishetmair, violin, under Mark Wigglesworth;

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Wigglesworth A.DO Minic Matters, with han Hewett (r)

6.00em On Air, with Andrew McGregor. Includes Boccherini (Fielle Outhlet in C., G439); Delius (Autum, North Country Sketches); Centebube (Trois Bourness, Songs of the Auvergne); Ravel, (Gaspard de la Nuit); Delibes (Bet Song, Lakme)

4.45 Music Machine. Tommy Pearson presents the first of week's programmes from Scandinavia. Today he meets Mona Lavin, editor of Listen to Nonwey, the journal of the Norwegian Music Information Centre 5.00 in Tube. Seen Reflecty talks to the new mus

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In Tube. Sean Refletty talks to the new music
director of the English National Opera, Paul
Deriet, as Tim-Abery's new production of House
of the Dead by Janacek opens at the Collegum in Denomence on 3. Leff Ove Andenes, plane, City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra under Simon Rastie. Ravel (Le Tombeau de Coujerin); Stymenowski (Symphony No. 4, Symphonie Concertante); Stravinsky (Four Norwegian Moods); Borodin (Symphony No. 2 in B minor); Fauré (Pavanie).

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ing it includes a studio session by the Sender-collegist Marie Goyette

11.30 Composer of the Week Mikhali Glinka (†)

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12.00 News; You and Yeurs, with Mark Whittaker
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Cassidy, based on a true story. In Co Down at the turn of the century, Authoris begins to circulate about a married couple a test relationship after the husband's death. With Maner Jones, Norsa Mullan and Des McAlest (4).

3.00 The Attamport Shift, with Laurie Taylor

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Norwich. Plus a réview of John Harle's new CD, Silencium

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7.45 The Monday Play: Burdstane, by Judith Adams. An anstocratic lody battles to recover her mind and identity. With Kathryn Hunter (t)
8.15 Colour Radio. An exploration of yellow (5/6) (r)
9.20 Kateldoscope (r) 9.59 Weather
10.00 The World Tonight, with Isabel Hilton
10.45 Book at Bedtime: The Diving Bell and the Butterfly, by Jean-Dominique Beutby. Translated by Jeramy Leggal, abridged by Brian Miller and read by Hichard Derrington (1/5)
11.00 Comparing Notes with Brian Kay (r)
11.30 (FM) Bellylemon. The second of a four-part comedy by Christopher Fitz-Simon. With Stelle McCuster. Margaret D'Arcy and T.P. McKenna (2/4) (r)

12.00 Nove 12.30am The Late Book: The Drowned World, by 4.G. Ballard (9/10) (r)
12.48 (LW) Shipping Porecast 1.00 As World Service

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Alchemy is catalyst for change on Genus's farm

A firm owned by thousands of farmers is

weighed for

market, writes Paul Durman

The attempt by a venture capital firm to buy Genus, Britain's largest cattle-breeding firm, is being seen by some as farming's version of Andrew Regan's tilt at the Co-operative Wholesale Society.

From the outset, Alchemy Partners has seemed to have as little chance of success as the hapless Mr Regan. Yet, as with CWS, the very attempt is set to change the way Genus is run. This is readily acknowledged

by Richard Wood, chief executive of Genus since last December. "The world is not the same after something like this has happened," he says. Since Al-





To the smirking delight of many involved, Genus is Britain's biggest supplier of buil semen, fertilising half the cows that are artificially inseminated. Genus has 19 insemination centres, with 350 technicians

made operating profits of £1.9 million, from sales of £46.6 million, and made a further £2.8 million from property disposals.

Since most shareholders are also customers, Genus would seem to hold most of the aces. Amanda Shipman, the Alchemy partner who is backing a idow management team led by Julia Walsh, admits: "It might be a hopeless case. But if we can get opinion behind us, they should at least let us have a look lat the company's books]. We will at least make a fair

John Beckett, the dairy farmer who is chairman of Genus. has refused to meet Dr Walsh, a former chief executive of ADAS, a recently privatised agricultural advisory agency. Greg Aldridge, the assistant director of Singer & Friedlander, the merchant bank advising Genus, said: The company is not for sale. There's no pressure on it to put itself up for sale. The company has a very clear strategy and is busy pursuing that. We will resist any attempt to go fishing through the company's books to try to justify making us a

Unwelcome as it is, Alchemy's intervention has thrown up some useful points. Its offer, pitched above Genus's net asset value, is worth an estimated 1200 a share. This is more than double the 50p that shareholders were offered on the last dealing day, in January, An embarrassed Genus moved rapidly to abandon the planned October dealings. It is working on plans for a daily matchedbargain trading mechanism through the Ofex market or a

stockbroker. Genus, which only last week adopted plc status, has also been ticked off by the Takeover Panel for Mr Wood's comment to Farmers Weckly that its 1997 accounts understated the firm's net asset value by about 30 per cent. Ms Shipman says: "If the difference is that material, you are meant to restate the accounts. People were trying to sell shares on the basis of these accordings."

The discrepancy is because of historical property valuations. Mr Wood says that it is ridiculous to value Genus on its assets - it is not a property company. Fair enough. Yet Genus is such an unusualcompany that its shareholders, if they are to stand any chance of valuing it correctly, should

be entitled to the best possible information.

While the Alchemy team tries to woo support among dairy farmers. Dr Walsh has turned her attack on Genus's strategy. She accuses Genus of losing its focus on its core breeding expertise, and diversifying into unrelated areas, such

as arable consultancy. Some of her concerns seem trivial, such as Genus's reliance on Dutch and American firms for about half its semen. to the detriment of good old British bulls. Mr Wood replies that farmers are mainly concerned with the milk output of

the cows produced. Mr Wood, a former managing director of ICI Seeds UK, has set himself the task of doubling Genus's annual turnover to £100 million over the next five years, and increasing profits to £9 million. His prob lem is that dairy farming is in steady decline, its difficulties exacerbated by the BSE crisis. His solution has been to cut

overheads, to sell unwanted properties and to expand into new areas. On the breeding side, this has involved the justcompleted acquisition of Scottish Livestock Services and a move into horse breeding, a small but undeveloped market.

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us's grandly named consultancy arm. Axient Farm Business Solutions. has extended its service from the dairy industry to arable farming, and has acquired an agricultural software firm. Mr Wood even has plans to expand into farm management. Dr Walsh said that diversification will be a considerable challenge, and unlikely to offer the best returns for investors. She believes that, in the present difficult climate, many farmer shareholders would prefer to receive some cash for their shares. And she says that the management feam has no in-

So far, Alchemy lades the financial detail to let it make a full offer, and unless Dr Walsh and her colleagues find some sympathetic farmers, it is unlikely to gain access to Genus's

tention to break up Genus.

Mr Aldridge said: "Ultimately, they will go away because they aren't able to do the due diligence that enables them to finance the bid. They may not like the board's answer, but that's their view.

Richard Wood, head of Genus, Britain's largest cattle-breeding firm, which has become the target of venture capitalists chemy made an "indicative offer" for Genus worth around £25 million, the company has suspended its clumsy twiceyearly sharedealing mechanism and brought forward plans for a stock market flotation. Genus emerged from the old Milk Marketing Board, a heristanding ready to despatch 29,000 current and former where it is needed. Last year it

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THE ENGLISH COX CAMEAGN

Jim'll fix it, whether you want him to or not

BBC1's Saturday evening lineup, well, tough. It's not about to leave in a hurry. Casualty is now a few weeks into a marathon run of 26 episodes, while the weekend's new arrivals. Noel's Davidson's illustrious predeces-House Party and Jim Davidson's Generation Game, are booked for 22 and 20 weeks respectively. Makes you regret that human beings have lost the ability to hibernate, doesn't it?

"Live from London," boasted an unseen announcer as Jim Davidson's Generation Game (BBCl. Saturday) got under way, presum-ably hoping that if he said it confidently enough none of us would notice he was lying about. the live bit, anyway. Then again, how cross can you be with a show that has a number from those masters of pomp-rock, Emerson, Lake and Palmer, as its theme

sors, Bruce Forsyth and Larry a reminder that both men, and particularly Forsyth, were in their element with the show, while Davidson is not.

The Generation Game is a family show, while Davidson's natural environment is entertaining "adults". Result? Put the two together and it doesn't quite work, particularly when the vital relationship between Davidson and his assistant, Melanie Stace, is at best so-so. The fact that the show gets as

close as it does is down to the brilliance of the original format me?
(fair enough, formation skipping
What came next was even more and pebble-dashing were classics)

painful: a seemingly endless se- and the fact that once the games quence of contrived gags and get going, Davidson is fine. It's scripted ad-libs that meant that what happens in between that is after 14 minutes we still hadn't such hard work, particularly with started the first game. True, one of so many guest stars to get on for a those gags poker gentle fun at . 60-second turn. Charlie Williams, Ken Goodwin, Cannon and Ball, sors, Bruce Forsyth and Larry Sir Jimmy Savile ... where would Grayson, but that simply served as it all end? Well, back in the 1990s would be nice.

> The big question for any series that seeks to examine the relationship between the Royal Family and the media is, just how surprising can it be? The answer, at least as far as last night's Royals and Reptiles (Channel 4) is concerned, depends on whether you saw the same channel's trawl through Princess. Margarer's life, earlier this year. If you didn't, then Royals and Rep-tiles was another interesting and authoritatively annotated reminder that glamorous princesses are nothing new under The Sun.

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3.20 News (4650575)

9.25 Supermarket Sweep (T) (3515643)

12.20cm HTV News and weather (8819285)

12.55 High Road (T) (5246827) 1.25 Home and Away (T) (76806914)

1.50 A Town Torn Apart (1992) with Michael

Tucker, Carole Galloway and Jill Elkanbeny, Fact-based drama about a New York teacher who moves to the country for what he thinks will be a more peaceful existence. Directed by Daniel Petrie (3012907)

3.30 Tots TV (8773407) 3.40 The Slow Norris (9266778) 3.50 Wolves, Witches and Glants (8777223) 4.05 Sooty and Co (1)

5.10 WALES: The House Transforming a

(6900440) 4.25 Are You Alraid of the Dark Special (6926488) 4.50 How 2 (1)

erelict Victorian house (r) (T) (3645407)

12.30 News (T) and weather (5261136)

3.25 Regional News (T) (4859946)

5.10 We Are Seven (3645407)

6.25 HTV Weather (626575)

6,30 Regional News (T) (391)

5.40 News (T) and weather (973469)

6.00 Home and Away (r) (1) (740594)

6.56 HTV Crimestoppers (671285) 7.00 Talking Telephone Numbers (8778)

reconciled with Jon (T) (575)

7.30 Coronation Street Percy Sugden bids fereweil to the street and Deirdre is

8,00 World in Action An Investigation into the

8.30 Michael Berrymore's Strike it Rich (T)

constabulary and the men who don't know how to behave like officers and

9.55 Regional News (T) (9882858)

10.00 The Time, the Place (65681)

10.30 This Morning (T) (77397285)

REVIEW -



Matthew Bond

If you did, however, the programme was still authoritatively annotated (you knew it wasn't going to be a bad night for us reptiles when they kicked off with Simon Jenkins and Sir Peregrine Worsthorne) but goodness, it was predictable. The Coronation. Group Captain Townsend, Princess Margaret's wedding, the making of Royal Family, the investitute of the Prince of Wales,

Princess Margaret's divorce... We all knew where we were heading and, sure enough, Lady Diana Spencer made her first appearance just before the final credits. I'm not sure I have the appetite for part TWO, next week

But although I had seen the Princess Margaret footage before, I enjoyed part one and particularly John Grigg's contribution. In 1957. Lord Altrincham, as he was then, accused the Royal Family of being elitist" and "tweedy". The wrath of the Establishment and the fist of a gentleman loitering with royalist intent outside the ITN building duly descended. Forry years on, Grigg could be forgiven for looking just a little smug.

On BBC2, Books and Mortar turned out to be a rather curious film, not least because nobody whispered "shush" as Peter Ackroyd charted the cultural contribution of the round Reading Room of the British Library, Will

Self riffled through its pornogra-phy collection and Malcolm Bradbury celebrated library romances. Whenever any of them paused for breath, George Steiner popped up being so erudite it was frightening. You needed a reader's ticket just to

That also made the programme curious was the V sudden change of pace as the action shifted from the old Reading Room, now being stripped of its books, to the new and highly controversial library at St Pancras. At a stroke, the mood moved from gentle personal nostalgia to a quite awful personal tragedy. Why had nobody told me that the architect of the much vilified new building had never

worked since? Yet here he was, his partnership now dissolved, inviting John Wells (who may have a reader's ticket but was still a curious choice) not

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just to stroke the stone staircase and fondle the leather banister. but to tell him that everything would be all right, really. It was almost too awful to watch. Thankfully. Wells and everybody else who attended a champagne open-ing reception loved the interior. Except possibly our own Jonathan Meades, who described it as "the last Sixties building". Coming from Meades, however, that might just be a compliment.

Finally, all this talk of libraries helped the weekend to achieve the impossible, by introducing me to a piece of Rachel Whiteread sculp-ture that I thought was wonderful. Unfortunately, The Works (BBC2, Saturday) told the story of why her concrete cast of the interior of a library (I know it sounds silly, but trust me, it isn't) to commemorate the Austrian Jews who died in the Holocaust may never be built. Still, at least I understood it in

BEC1 6.00am Business Breeklast (95407) 7.00 BBC Breakfast News (T) (82441575) 9.05 Can't Cook, Won't Cook (T) (3526759)

9.30 Style Challenge (8974169) . .. 9.55 Kilroy (T) (5312376)

10.35 Change That in Harrogate (8058558) 11.00 News (T) (7430952) 11.05 The Realty Useful Show (1) (7470778)

11.35 Room for Improvement How to instal a loft ladder (r) (3488049)

12.00 News (T) (8813001) 12.05pm Call My Bluff (7593778) 12.35 Going for a Song (5275339)

1.00 News and weather (T) (86662) 1.30 Regional News (73317827) 1.40 The Weather Show (26282010)

1,45 Neighbours (T) (71033339) 2.10 Quincy (r) (8055285) 3.00 Through the Keyhole (1207862)

3.25 The Really Useful Show Update 4664778)

3.30 Playdays (8779865) 3.50 Enchanted Lands (9260594) 4.00 Roald Dahl's Revolting Recipes: with Sophie Dahl, Gary Rhodes (8163759) 4.15 Noah's Island (6935136) 4.40 Goosebumpe (3671310) 5.00 Newsround (T) (2655469) 5.10 Blue Peter (T) (9254594)

5.35 Neighbours (r) (T) (723391) 6.00 News (T) and weather (643) 6.30 Regional News (223) . . .

7.00 This is Your Life (1) (6310) 7.30 Here and Now Women who have had their heir rulned by a trip to the salon (T)

8.00 EastEnders Joe receives a devastating message from the spirit world; Bianca, turns to Ricky for support (T) (2730) 8.30 A Prince Among Men Gary is to be awarded with an honorary PhD for his services to sport, charity and industry.

Last in series (I) (1865). 9.00 News (1) and weather (1469) 9.30 Bloomin' Marvellous Jack and Liz buy a

pram, write the birth plan and enrol Jack in antenatal classes (T) (66223) hospital waiting lists and the acuta lack of

hospital beds (1) (370371) Omnibus: The Fame and Shame of Salvador Dail The first of a two-part blography of the Surrealist artist Salvador Dali (T)

11,45 Film '97 with Barry Norman The new film from the Trainspotting and Shallow Grave teem: A Life Less Ordinary, with wan McGregor and Cameron Diaz; The Pescemaker, with George Clooney and Nicole Kidman. John Travotta talks about John Woo's Face/Off (T) (400407)

12.15am Grand Prix Snooker Action from the third round in Bournemouth (2481266) 1.05 Mitized Company (1974) Joseph Bologna, Barbara Harris and Tom Bosley-star, Cornecty about a basicathal coach star. Comedy about a basketball coach whose wife wants to adopt thee children from different ethnic backgrounds. Directed by Melville Shavelson (1)

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2.10 Grand Prix Snooker Third-round action from Bournemouth (94288117)

New series looking at how famous artworks were created begins with a tour of the National Gallery's rvation and scientific departme

match (T) (9407)



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7.00 See Hear Breakfast News (T and

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7.15 Teletubbles (5663556) 7.40 Smurts'
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(r) (1) (7792223) 8.30 Melvin and

11.40 Landmarks (T) (9087730) 12.00 Heading South: The mysteries of migrating swans and geese (6596204) 12.20pm Showcase (8831407) 12.25

12.30 Working Lunch (44001)

6.00 The Simpsons (I) Homer travels to Detroit to meet his long-lost half-brother

7.10 The Car's the Star The Mini (1) (117662)

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8.00 Decisive Weapons: The Harrier Jump-Jef: Jumping Jack Flash (T) (7152) 8.30 Two Fat Ladies High tea during a cricket

9.00 The Mrs Merton Show (r) (T) (2339)



The legal team (9.00pm)

9.00 Trial and Retribution The trial is about to begin, but the prosecution's evidence is falling apart at the seams and the defence barrister is confident of an acquittal. Continues after the News (1)

10.00 News (T) and weather (12914) 10.30 Regional News and weather (452001) 10.40 Trial and Retribution The conclusion of tonight's drama (1) (543662)

11.40 Highlander (402136) 12.40am Football Extra (9776315) 1,40 War of the Worlds (r) (6083353) 2.30 Rockmania (r) (6584179) 3.25 God's Gift (r) (5368995)

4.20 Sound Bites (97061334) Life on the Edge (8974614) 2.00 4.35 World in Action (f) (7) (56978247) Teaching: Today/Ghostwriter (74599) 4.00 Suenos World Spanish 5-8 (27841) 5.00 Coronation Street (1) (T) (68792) 5,30 News (35889)

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stars as an 16th-century nobleman who returns from the South Seas to England seeking vengsance against his wicked uncle (George Sandars). Directed by John Cromwell (75565643) 3.30 Collector's Lot Sue Cook and David Statford; Marty Wilde and his collection of guitars; Hammer Films icon Linda

Hawden and her collection of horror memorabilia (T) (469) 4,00 Fifteen-to-One (T) (204) 4,30 Countdown (T) (8575489) 4,55 Montel Williams: Hypnotist Paul McKenna (T) (8494198)

5.30 Pet Rescue Three abandoned kittens arrive at the RSPCA centre (1) (440) 6.00 Home Improvement Benny is made

homeless when Tim manages to blow up his aunt's house (1) (681) 6.30 Hollyoaks Friends and family gather for Oille's funeral (T) (933)

7.00 Channel 4 News (T) (595662) 7.50 Deadline 2000 Four nightly perspectives on environmental issues, beginning with the pressure group Reclaim the Streets, arguing that direct action against car congestion is justified (520372)

8.00 Wild Tales from National Geographics King Cobra The story of the world's largest venomous snake (4/6) (T) (4285)



Vladimir Levin (9.00pm)

9.00 Equinox: Superhighway Robbery An interview with Vladimir Levin, who is to be put on trial for the biggest electronic bank robbery in history (T) (4049)

10.00 NYPD Blue: Bad Rap A rap star who has -been wounded in a hold-up refuses to co-operate with detectives (T) (641643) 10.55 Seven Stra: Gluttony "Consumer terrorist group" Decadent Action defend

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3,30 Jesse (1988) with Lee Remick, Scott Wilson and Richard Marcus. Drama about a nurse who is prosecuted for practising medicine without a licence. Directed by Glenn Jordan (3420440)

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avoid going back to work (1) (8054827) 7.00 Exclusive with Julia Bradbury. The Tellyturbbies take on Sooty and the Wombles in a bettle for ratings (6811117) 7.30 Beastly Britain: Grey Hordes The wood pigeon, Britain's greatest agricultural pest (T) (8083339)

8,00 Period Rooms Interior design series, with Annabel Giles. The contestants attempt to recapture the spirit of the

1960s (T) (6820865) 8.30 5 News (T) (6809372)



9.00 The Sweeney: Sweet Small of Succession A gangland feud threatens to grow into full-scale wariars. With John Thaw and Dennis Waterman (r) (3957594) 10.00 Wing and a Prayer A local brothel

keeper creates panic in the chambers and Amanda defends a 15-year-old girl accused of murder (T) (3950681) 11.00 The Jack Docherty Show Chat and comedy (5414198)

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BUSINESS EDITOR Patience Wheatcroft

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Hyundai may double plant investment

HYUNDAI, the South Korean electronics group that is building a £1.3 billion microchip plant in Scotland, is prepared to double its investment if the boom in the computer market continues. The company, which last year announced it would open

two £650 million memory chip factories in Fife, is building infrastructure that will support four factories. If the market conditions are good, it will open a third and

fourth microchip plant, taking total investment to £2.6 billion and creating a total of 3,200 iobs. This would make the Dunfermline development

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Inland Revenue have raided the premises of two of the top

six accountancy firms. Ernst & Young and Coopers & Lybrand, and seized papers.

The raids, last week, came

as part of the Revenue's larg-

est criminal investigation into

tax avoidance schemes and will be a particular embar-

rassment to the firms, both of

which are planning huge mergers with other account-

Coopers unveiled a merger

with Price Waterhouse last

month and the coming together

of Ernst & Young and KPMG.

revealed in The Times on Sat-

urday, is due to be announced

today, creating the world's

The mergers will have to be

approved by US anti-trust

authorities and the European

deal has already drawn criti-

largest accounting firm.

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Accountants' files

seized by taxman

By Jason Nisse

one of the largest inward instment projects in the world. The full potential of the site has not been publicised by the Scottish Office, which considers the prospect of a third and fourth factory too distant. However, Hyundai said that unless demand slowed down, it would be drawing up plans for the third factory within five years. triggering the extra investment.

Seung Rak Lee, assistant operations manager, said: "We have chosen a 150-acre site, and this includes space for four factories. If market conditions are good, we will keep expand-ing." The third and fourth

cism from leading finance di-

rectors, and yesterday a for-mer senior partner of Ernst & Young, John Keenan, said that

its merger with KMPG would

be "a great leap backwards".

Ernst & Young is under-

stood to have created many of

the schemes being investigat-

ed by the Revenue. They involved a number of offshore

companies in countries such

as Switzerland and Denmark.

The firm confirmed that tax

officers had raided five of its

offices last week and removed

Coopers & Lybrand has

been widely promoting some

of the schemes. It said that the

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factories would be on a similar scale to the first two, he said, and required the same levels expansion plan forecasts that computer microchip technol-ogy will take a step-change every three to four years. Mr Lee added: "We need to

produce memory that matches the cycle of development in PCs. You used to have eight megs four or five years ago, now the base is 32 megs and the need for memory is still growing." Its first factory starts dummy runs on 64megabite memory chips next spring, and the second is due to begin work on the more complex 256-megabite chips within two years. If the three-year cycle model holds good, the third factory should start production in 2003.

However, Mr Lee em-phasised that the company has not planned beyond the second factory, and even that could be scaled down if the semiconductor market fell. He said: "If we said a third factory will open in 2003, we would be liars. We will look at the market after each stage and then decide."

The more advanced factories are likely to look at producing one-gigabyte memory chips and be produced on 12-inch waters of silicon against the eight-inch waters used at present.
Hyundai is the largest of

South Korea's trading com-panies, but takes sixth place in the memory-chip market. It agreed to locate in Scotland after months of intense lobbying by the Government and a promise of an £86 million subsidy. Mr Lee said each of the four plants should employ 400 administration staff and 400 electronics graduates — a demand that recruitment consultants say might be difficult

In all, more than 80 offices Wilson (Connolly) is to build have been raided, including 3,500 houses around the plant together with a multiplex cinethose of solicitors and private ma, a 62-acre park and a cricket square - creating an estimated 1,000 jobs in support services alone.

NatWest

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of Markets

SOURCES within NatWest

Markets dismissed specula-tion at the weekend that the

troubled merchant bank may

by sold quickly, with ABN

Amro Houre Govett leading

the list of potential buyers. NatWest Group has hired

Lazard Brothers to advise on

the future of NatWest Mar-

kets, whose chief executive.

Martin Owen, resigned earli-

er this year after the group

ran up more than E80 million

of losses on options trading.

Chip Kruger, his replacement, is understood to be

pressing Detek Wanless, chief executive of NatWest

Group, to make a decision on

the future and ideally sell the

ailing business, However, Mr

Kruger went on holiday this weekend and is not expected

back in the NatWest Markets'

Lazard is believed to be

recommending that NatWest

defers any decision until the

sale of BZW, the broker, by

Barclays is announced. The

City is expecting news on the

BZW sale this week, with

CSFB, the Swiss securities

offices for at least ten days.

ROBERT FELD, above, the former managing director of Resort Hotels serving an eight-year prison sentence for fraud, is to seek leave to appeal to have his sentence reduced (Dominic Watsh writes).
Feld, described by the Judge as "a man of quite appalling dishonesty", is said to have been shocked at the severity of the sentence. He was found guilty in

April of 12 counts of fraud and forgery, with most of the charges relating to a rights issue in 1992. Resort collapsed two years later with debts of more

than £140 million and most of the group's hotels. the firm of solicitors that represented Feld during the trial, declined to comment, but it is understood that he will shortly ask the High Court for leave to take his case to the Court of Appeal. A previous request for the sentence to be reconsidered by the High Court was rejected.

His efforts are unlikely to attract sympathy from the army of small shareholders who lost all their

money when the company collapsed. Edwin Coe the firm of solicitors representing the Resort Hotels Shareholders' Action Group, is this week expected to serve writs on the company's former directors, as well as BZW, which underwrote the £20 million rights issue, and Coopers & Lybrand; the company's auditor. The writs will be served on behalf of about 500 individual shareholders and seven institutional investors that between them

Dealing debut adds to jitters

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BY ALASDAIR MURRAY AND ADAM JONES

THE STOCK market is braced for a turbulent day's trading today as the new share dealing system goes live and uncertainty mounts over the Government's EMU policies.

Extra pressure is expected to come from America, where growing fears over rate rises and high stock valuations caused the Dow Jones to slip more than 200 points on Thursday and Friday, while on Friday the Nasdaq market suffered its largest fall since the October 1987 stock market crash.

Economists predict that UK shares are set to fall between 50 and 100 points today, although Adam Cole, UK economist at James Capel, insisted the decline was unlikely to be "catastrophic". Gilt

from convergence plays in recent weeks, will also come under pressure. But the pound is set to climb higher on speculation that the Bank of England will be free to raise UK interest rates and renewed

WITH all eyes on the tenth

anniversary of Black Monday

in 1987, it is easy to forget that

this week in 1929 was the start

of a much worse stock market

disaster - the great Wall Street

For all the speed and drama

of the 1987 crash, its lasting

effects were modest. Although

the UK market lost a third of its

value in late October, the FTSE

100 index ended up on the year.

crash (Paul Durman writes).

cy, Gordon Brown, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, will formally switch on the Stock Exchange's new order-driven trading system at 8,30am. Traders will have actually been inputting orders from

the US economy into deep

recession, and it took a

quarter of a century for the

Dow Jones industrial average

After a nervy September, Wall Street began falling in earnest on Monday October

21, driven by forced selling

from investors facing margin

calls that they could not meet.

The stock market ticker could

to recover the ground it lost.

driven trading environment. where market-makers maintain liquidity in stocks by quoting buy and sell prices on

was an hour and 40 minutes

after the market closed before

Yet the level of selling was

twice as high three days later, on Black Thursday. Shares went into freefall on Tuesday

29 October, amid panic on the

New York Stock Exchange. From its 1929 peak to its mid-

1932 trough, the Dow Jones

lost 77 per cent of its value.

it could record the last deal.

In contrast, the 1929 crash sent into keep pace with trading; it

said: "I think the Government has to understand that it needs to remove this uncertainty and create a clear line on its ittitude towards Europe and monetary union." Haunted by shades of 1929

Two surveys to be published today show that UK businesses are not convinced of the EMU. A Healey & Baker European Cities Monitor found that only 16 per cent of leading British businesses favour entry in 1999, while around 40 per cent supported a delay for more than two years. A 3i survey of small businesses found that almost half believe their company's competitiveness will suffer in a single currency.

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economist at Charterhouse,

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house, favourite to buy it. Speculation has also centred on the future of Hambros, the merchant banking group hit by the Lanica Trust scandal, with the Italian bank, Sao Paolo di Torino. tipped as a bidder. Sao Paolo is Hambros's largest shareholder, with 16.6 per cent of the group, and has been

> more than a decade. Hambros is also working on a plan which is expected to involve the sale of its stakes in both its estate agency and

associated with Hambros for

Coca-Cola mourns death of chairman

FROM TUNKU VARADARAJAN IN NEW YORK

Company worldwide will be closed tomorrow as a tribute tu Roberto Goizuetta. the group's chairman and chief executive, who died on Saturday of lung cancer, aged 65. A Cuban refugee who be-

OFFICES of the Coca-Cola

came a legend in American husiness, Mr Goizueta oversaw phenomenal growth in Coca-Cola's market value during his to years at the helm. Worth \$4 billion (£2,6 billion) in 1981, when Mr Goizueta, a rank cutsider, succeeded J. Paul Austin as chairman, Coca-Cola is today valued at nearly \$150 billion. This makes Mr Goizueta one of the greatest creators of sharehold-

er wealth in corporate history. Mr Goizueta took hold of the conservative and bureaucratic Coca-Cola, mired in the quicksand of Georgia's "Southern" business methods, and dragged it into virtually every corner of the world. One of his most audacious moves was the creation of Diet Coke in 1982.

Today, Diet Coke is America's largest-selling sugar-free bev-erage, and the fourth-largest

Coke, Pepsi and 7-Up. Mr Goizueta's other achievement, rated by many analysts as pivotal to his success, was consolidation of a previously chaotic bottling system. He also conducted corporate warfare via bottling: in 1996. Coca-Cola bought Pepsi's Venezuelan bottler, putting its rival out of business overnight in the only Latin American country where Coke had a smaller market share. Mr Goizueta was also, how-

ever, the author of the 1985 blunder in which Coca-Cola replaced its 99-year-old formula with a sweeter, smoother version, called "New Coke", which the public spurned and which had to be wilhdrawn. Coca-Cola's new chairman is likely to be Douglas Ivester, 50, its chief operating officer.

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Sentences are to be passed down on Ted Ball and David Ashworth of Landhurst Leasing



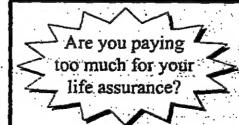
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Graham Searjeant gives an in-depth opinion on the issues of the week

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